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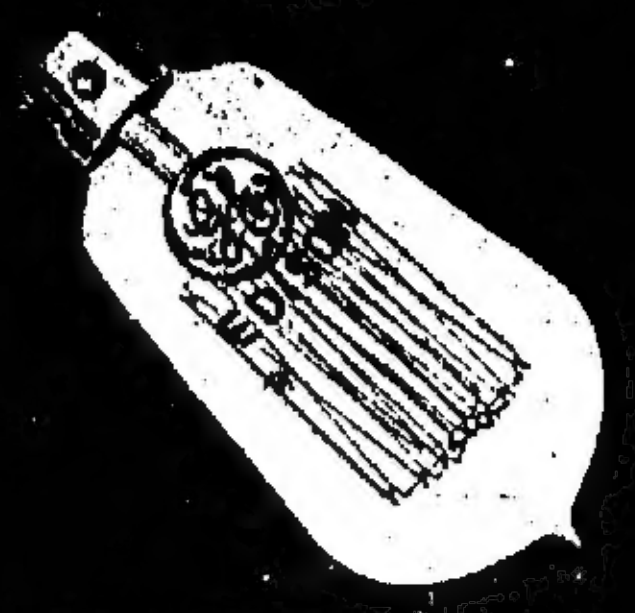
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THE HOME STRIKE CRISIS.

NEGOTIATIONS REACH CRITICAL STAGE.

Triple Alliance Postpone Strike.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, April 12.
In the Government's proposals for a settlement of the coal dispute published to-night, after re-enumerating the objections both to a national pool of profits and a national settlement of wages, the Government proposes the fixing of a standard wage for each district. The principle on which such standards are to be fixed shall be determined nationally and shall be discussed by the present conference. Complaints from any district shall be referred to a national committee equally representing owners and miners. The present conference is also to determine what percentages the owners' profits ought to bear to wages. When the arrangement has been thus concluded for fixing wages on an economic basis, the Government will for a short period grant financial assistance in order to mitigate the rapid reduction of wages in the districts most affected.

Conference Adjourns.

London, April 12.
The official conference between the miners and mineowners has adjourned, the miners stating that they will consider what was said at the conference and then communicate with the Government.

Miners Refuse Government Terms.

It is officially stated that the Miners have written refusing the terms of the Government.

Later.
In the House of Commons, on the adjournment, Mr. Henderson declared that they were now face to face with another deadlock as regards the strike situation. Mr. Chamberlain assured him that the House could discuss the matter to-morrow.

Situation Remains Critical.

Despite the postponement of the (Triple Alliance) strike, Mr. Williams (a leading Triple Alliance official) telegraphed to all the transport unions that the situation remains critical. One of the Miners' Executive declared in an interview: "I do not see any hope now." There is uncertainty whether the miners will again meet the Government.

Miners Again Call on Triple Alliance for "Action".

London, April 12.
The President of the Mineowner's Association stated to-night that negotiations had broken down on the question of a national pool and a national wages settlement. He declared that the owners offered the men all they had to give and challenged the miners to show that the industry could provide more.

The miners to-night informed the Triple Alliance that the conference negotiations could not be resumed with any hope of success on the present proposals of the Government and owners, and added that a stage had been reached when the Alliance would have to take action. The conference adjourned until the morning.

Triple Alliance Strike Postponed.

London, April 12.
It is officially announced that all railwaymen and transport workers have been instructed to continue work until further notice. To-night's strike has thus been postponed.

SINN FEIN ATTACKS ON ANIMALS.

Army Horse and Mules Shot.

London, April 12.
Sinn Feiners in Dublin have begun a well-nigh incredible campaign of butchery of Army horses. An armed party held up military wagons and forced the drivers to dismount. They shot a horse. Two men were killed and two seriously wounded. Later two mules were similarly shot and wounded. It was subsequently discovered when they were endeavouring to crawl back to barracks.

Bombs Flung at Police Lorries.

London, April 12.
A hot battle, lasting half an hour, in a crowded street in Cork this morning resulted in three civilians being killed and four wounded. The fighting was a sequel to the flinging of bombs at police lorries going at a high speed to Washington Street gaol. The bombs missed their mark and the lorries immediately stopped. The sixteen occupants advanced in open order, firing at their opponents, who fought as they retired. An armoured car arrived and joined in the action. Both sides used bombs. There were no police casualties.

ARCHDEACON WAKEFORD'S APPEAL.

Prosecution Produces New Witnesses, but not "Mystery Woman."

London, April 12.
The case for the prosecution in the Wakeford appeal was concluded to-day, after which Sir Edward Carson opened the defence. In a powerful four-hour speech he said that if it were true that the Archdeacon in full ecclesiastical dress, with gaiters, went twice to the hotel at Peterborough with a young woman not his wife, then he made the story utterly improbable.

The prosecution produced new witnesses who declared that they saw the Archdeacon with a woman on the days in question, but Sir Edward Carson demanded the production of the "mystery woman," declaring that the charge was the result of a great conspiracy in which the accused's fellow-clergymen of Peterborough and the police were implicated.

DESTRUCTIVE FIRE AT PORTSMOUTH.

Incendiarism Suspected.

London, April 12.
The biggest fire at Portsmouth for years occurred last night at Binery works at Flat House Quay. The machinery was totally destroyed, but large stores of timber were saved. H.M.S. Canterbury, since the fire was first observed, sent bluejackets to assist in the battle with the flames. Members of the new Defence Force assisted the naval contingent in keeping back the huge incendiaries suspected, as everything was safe when the fire was over.

UNITED STATES AND THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Definite Rejection by President Reported.

(Reuter's Service.)

Washington, April 13.
It is understood that in a message to Congress President Harding declares in favour of Peace by Congressional resolution. The President irrevocably turns his back on the present League of Nations, indicating that the United States will not become a party to any such military alliance as the League proposes. Republicans in Congress state that Senator Knox will introduce his peace resolution in a day or two with the addition of a declaration that if the world's peace is again threatened the United States will act as they did in the recent war.

President Still Favours an Association to Promote Peace.

Later.
The text of President Harding's Message to Congress reveals that he approved the termination of the technical state of war with the Central Powers of Europe by a resolution of Congress, with qualifications essential to protect all the United States' rights.

The President definitely declared that the United States will not join the existing League of Nations, but added that "In making this announcement to the world, we in no wise surrender our aim for an association to promote peace in which we would most heartily join." The President stated that he is considering the matter and hoped to be able to work out a plan for such an association. Mr. Harding wished to eliminate the heavy burden of armaments, and said that the United States are ready to co-operate with other Nations to this end, but the merest prudence forbade the United States to disarm alone.

Purpose of League Defeated by Linking with Treaty.

Later.
President Harding asserted that the highest purpose of the League of Nations was defeated in linking it with the Treaty of Peace, making it an enforcing agency of the victors in the war. The resolution of Congress declaring a separate peace can in no wise be interpreted as a desertion of those with whom we shared the sacrifices of war, but we must place no difficulty in the way of effecting, with just reparations, that restoration for which all Nations yearn. "Our attitude regarding responsibility for the war and the necessity for just reparations has already had formal earnest expression," stated the President.

"Impossible to Ignore Settlements Already Effectuated."

While approving the resolution of Congress declaring a state of peace, President Harding declares that it is impossible to ignore settlements already effectuated. "It would be wiser," continued the President, "to accept confirmation of our rights and interests as already provided under the existing Treaty, with reservations securing absolute freedom from inadvisable commitments. Our part in the readjustment and restoration cannot be ignored, and, with the League of Nations definitely rejected, we may proceed to negotiate a covenant of relationships essential to recognition of our rights."

President Advocates "Rigorous Protection."

In the course of his speech President Harding emphasised the necessity of enacting emergency tariff legislation based upon a policy of rigorous Protection, and advocated the encouragement of the extension of American owned and operated cables and wireless systems in the interest of American merchants.

REPORTED DEATH OF GERMAN ADVENTURER.

"Emden" Commander said to Have Been Shot.

Berlin, April 12.
The adventurous career of Captain von Mueller, the famous ex-commander of the Emden, is believed to have been brought to a close. Von Mueller, who was known by the name of von Doemming, was shot at Gleiwitz after firing at and wounding three Upper Silesian plebiscite policemen. He had been concerned in the formation of a secret armed force for the purpose of securing Germany's retention of Upper Silesia.

REPARATIONS COMMITTEE.

Fixing Definite Figures.

Paris, April 12.
The Reparations Committee is expected to complete by May 1st. next its work in fixing definitely the figures of the German debt and the modes of payment by instalments in thirty years.

Germany again did not fulfil her obligations respecting coal deliveries, being at the end of March more than 500,000 tons behind.—Vale.

ADDITION TO NAVAL STRENGTH.

Personnel Total Increased.

London, April 12.
A Supplementary Naval Estimate provides for 25,000 officers and men, bringing the total personnel to 148,700 and raising the total of the Crown Forces, including the new Defence Force, to over 830,000.

THE NEW LORD CHIEF JUSTICE.

London, April 12.
Mr. Justice Lawrence has been appointed Lord Chief Justice in succession to Lord Reading.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

Peking, April 13.
The Premier, Chiu Wun-pang, has again intimated his desire to resign, and it is believed that Wong She-tsun will be asked to form a Cabinet.
The Central Government has decided to adopt a non-resisting attitude towards the election in Canton of Dr. Sun Yat-sen as President of China.
Shanghai, April 13.
A rumour prevails here that, owing to the presidential election at Canton, Tang Shao-yi will return to Shanghai.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2.)

FATAL HOUSE COLLAPSE.

Seventeen Casualties.

NINE LIVES FEARED LOST.

At 6.30 this morning two houses situated in Old Bailey, collapsed, resulting in numerous casualties, a number of which proved fatal.

There is at the present moment some doubt entertained as to the origin of the collapse, but it is known that No. 11, where the collapse began is under interior re-construction, in connection with which shoring had been placed against the front of the building for support. The fall involved the roof and the floors of the two upper storeys whilst the party wall between this building and the adjacent one (No. 9) was torn down, the roof and floors of the latter building also collapsing. Fortunately, the mishap was confined to this extent and with the exception of a severe shaking when the joists were torn away, the other houses, (No. 7 and No. 13) remained intact, though for safety, the inmates have made a hurried exit therefrom.

A remarkable feature of the occurrence is the fact that the front walls and verandahs of the two buildings involved, survived the collapse, a circumstance which is accounted for by the strong shorings mentioned above. Together with the back walls, which also remain intact, they now form two sides of a rectangle, open to the skies, but filled up completely at the bottom with the debris of the fallen roofs and floors.

Beneath this heap of broken bricks and wood, piled to a height of some six feet, were buried the unfortunate inmates, who at the early hour at which the mishap took place, were asleep.

Being located just opposite the Central Police Station compound, the scene of the mishap was easily accessible to the Police and firemen who comprised the rescue parties. On their arrival five terror-stricken persons had just emerged from the ruins. One of these was Mr. Li Ngok-lau, the owner of the buildings, who was rescued, it is stated, by his wife. Other miraculous escapes are recorded. That of an old man, who was rescued from a heap of debris under which he was buried, may be mentioned in view of the circumstances under which his life was saved. Mr. T. H. King, the Captain Superintendent of Police, who was one of a large number of hard-worked people who underwent risks in order to rescue the inmates, it is stated, worked his way through the ruins until he arrived at the spot where a cry told of a victim. The rubbish was cleared away, and the old Chinese who had sustained but a few scratches, was brought out.

After making a thorough search of the ruins the rescue parties at intervals brought out the other survivors. A small boy, a small girl and three women were amongst the first batch sent to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment. With the exception of one woman, who was unconscious when brought out, none were seriously injured, and in the case of three other survivors it was hardly necessary to remove them to the Hospital at all.

The work of rescue was continued throughout the morning, but at the time of writing, it had to be suspended whilst shorings were placed against the front wall of No. 9 which was in a dangerous condition. It is stated that nine other persons are still under the ruins, and hopes are not entertained of rescuing them alive.

The three houses, Nos. 9, 11, and 13, are owned by Mr. Li Ngok-lau, a former compradore of the International Banking Corporation, who, with his family of twelve, were living in one of these buildings. Two children are still missing.

It appears that a number of contractor's workmen had taken up their quarters in No. 11 which as stated, is under repair. They all made their escape with the exception of one.

MAGAZINE GAP MOTOR ROAD.

Mr. Pollock's Latest Queries.

At the meeting of the Legislative Council being held to-morrow, the Hon. Mr. H.E. Pollock, will ask the following questions:—

In view of the fact that additional taxation is being imposed on all the inhabitants of the Colony in an unsuccessful endeavour to balance the Budget for the Current Year, 1921, will the Government take a Referendum of Magazine Gap and Peak Residents with a view to ascertain whether it is the wish of the majority of such Residents that a Motor Road should be made from Magazine Gap to the Peak? If not, why not?

What is the estimated cost of making such Motor Road, and when was such estimate obtained?

LET US BEAR OUR BURDENS.

Good Counsel from Sir E. Carson.

Sir Edward Carson was the guest of the Primrose League at the annual banquet in the Hotel Cecil, London.

He said he thought the most regrettable incident in the political situation since the war was that the victory and all it meant had been so soon forgotten. While there was not a man whom they would meet who was a real Britisher who was not prepared to tell them during the war that he was prepared to pay his "bottom dollar" rather than be beaten, we now had the growling and the bickerings and the everlasting cries against those in power because they were asked to pay the price of that victory.

"I say to the nation," said Sir Edward Carson, "don't forget in drawing up your ledger to put up on the credit side what the victory has meant." When they were growing under their Income tax, when they were complaining of the vast debt still unliquidated that had to be paid, they must at least remember what it would have cost them if the Germans had won, and what would have been left to them, apart altogether from what it would have cost the world in the battle of freedom, of progress, and of civilisation which we set out to maintain.

"REPRISALS" IN IRELAND.

Referring to the abuse of the Government for the steps they were taking in Ireland, he said he did not envy the state of mind of the man or men who got up and urged the murder and assassination of the brave men who were trying to do their duty in Ireland towards their King.

"Reprisals! Yes, how we all hated the necessity for reprisals. Reprisals were bad if they could be avoided, but if reprisals were really self-defence do not let them be led away without looking at the cause of them."

"I confess I shudder when I read of six of our own fellow-countrymen being executed to-day, and I have no doubt those who are anxious to get back to party politics will make full use of it."

"They will shed tears over it, but will not tell of 23 brave officers murdered in their beds on a Sunday morning, many of them before their wives."

"That is the degradation of politics, and it is the worst service a man can render to his country to take part in it. From the bottom of my heart I hope the state of Ireland may steadily improve."

LOCAL STEAMER ASHORE.

Later Towed to Shanghai.

Thessa Choy-sang, which arrived from Swatow to-day, reports that the China Navigation Company's steamer Chikiang was ashore on the Taichau Islands. There is no account of what damage had been done. The Taichau Islands are south of the Finger Rocks, between Shanghai and Wangchow.

The Chikiang was bound from Shanghai for Swatow. She is a sister ship to the Chungking and was built by the Taikoo Dock Company for the China Navigation Company in 1914. She is 2,172 tons gross and 1,313 tons net, her dimensions being 285 feet length, 44 feet breadth and 19 feet depth.

No further details are to hand. A later message states that the boat has been taken off and towed to Shanghai.

AMERICAN SAILORS AT CANTON.

A watchman of the Oriental Hotel bar was, according to a report in the Canton Times, severely beaten on the head by four American sailors late on Monday evening when they attempted to leave the billiard room after several games without paying, but their exit was stopped by the watchman.

The sailors seized some chairs nearby and struck the watchman on the head inflicting severe injuries. The manager of the place was called and after some time spent in parlaying, the sailors agreed to pay for the medical expenses of the injured watchman.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

WRECK OF THE HSINTIEN.

Shanghai, April 12.
The French Consul General, M. Widen, is petitioning the French Government to decorate the officers and men of the Montegle rescue crews, Chinese and foreigners. M. Widen called at the C.P.O.S. offices to-day and expressed thanks, lauding the conduct of the Montegle rescuers. A foreigner rescued from the Hsintien was M. Deboileve, of the Shanghai branch of the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

STRAITS EUROPEAN MURDERED.

Singapore, April 11.
A European named Evans was murdered near Tanjong Rambutan, twelve miles from Ipoh. He was knocked off his motor cycle and stabbed in the neck. The murderers are believed to be estate coolies.

News in To-day's New Advertisements.

The feature picture at the Hongkong Theatre until Saturday is the Paramount film "Love Letters."—Page 12.

In connection with the Dog, Cat, Poultry, Pigeon and Bird show to be held on April 30, intending exhibitors are reminded that entries close on Saturday, April 23.—Page 4.

On Saturday Messrs. Lammert Bros. are auctioning bales of gunnies.—Page 4.

A rowing dinner will take place after the regatta to be held on Saturday, April 23.—Page 4.

To-Day's Exchange.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 2s. 6½d.

The Weather.

2 p.m. Barometer:—29.84. Temperature:—78. Humidity:—80.

Lightning.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

CABLE TELEPHONE DEVELOPMENTS.

London, April 12.

Enormous strides in long-distance wire cable telephony were revealed at Washington yesterday.

President Harding conversed with the President of Cuba after which a succession of conversations were engaged in between twenty-six towns, the remotest being Cuba speaking with Catalina nearly six thousand miles distant. Although the voice was automatically relayed at intermediate stations listeners had not the slightest difficulty in hearing.

The organiser of the scheme lays stress on the unimaginable political consequences that are likely to arise from its development for the British Empire, pointing out that the equipment would enable London to keep in direct communication with Cape Town, Calcutta and even Hongkong, Shanghai and Peking via Calcutta.

SENSATIONAL RUMOURS IN LONDON.

London, April 12.

Rumour mongers had a field day yesterday when fantastic stories were circulated like wild fire about heavy British casualties sustained on the Rhineland. It was stated that two train loads of wounded soldiers were injured in the fighting and arrived in London via Dover and that large consignments of coffins were sent from Waterloo Station. People from far distant centres rang up London newspaper offices who endeavoured to track the origin of the reports by official enquiry and private investigation. Eventually the War Office issued a statement ascribing the myth to Bolshevik attempts to deter recruiting for the Defence Force. The War Minister described as sheer nonsense the tale that the defence force was created to suppress a German rising or to collect the German indemnity.

THE COAL STRIKE.

London, April 12.

The coal negotiations entered a delicate stage to-day. The owners and miners each stated their case yesterday. Mr. Lloyd George to-day heard the parties separately. No proposal has yet been submitted that is likely to lead to a settlement, but though the position is serious no breakdown of the negotiations is anticipated such as to precipitate a Triple Alliance strike, the threat whereof remains in abeyance.

There was much criticism at the inopportune publication last night of the Triple Alliance manifesto declaring that the stoppage of the railwaymen and transport workers would begin unless an offer was made to the miners which the Triple Alliance was justified in recommending them to accept. The manifesto stated the owners offer fixes the standard at fifty per cent. below the cost of living and accuses the Government of not being an impartial arbitrator but an active partisan.

U.S. AVOIDING MILITARY SERVICE.

London, April 12.

A New York telegram states that the United States Government intends to proceed immediately with the formation of citizens and military training camps in order to train a volunteer reserve force as a supplement to the Regular Army and National Guard. There will be two classes of recruits, namely, youths of 16 to 21 years of age, who have had no previous Army training—General Pershing will supervise this—and a citizen reserve system, the ultimate object of which is to create a voluntary reserve sufficient for any emergency, thus avoiding the necessity of compulsory military service.

INCREASES IN BRITISH ARMY.

London, April 12.

The supplementary Army estimate, issued yesterday, provides for an additional 300,000 men for the Army and 10,000 for the Air Force in consequence of the proclamations calling up the Reserves who had extended their service and the enlistment for the Defence Force. The original Army estimate was for 341,000, hence the strength of the Army has been raised to 641,000.

BRITISH FINANCE.

London, April 12.

A hopeful sign of returning financial stability is given in an announcement that the Government reverts to the pre-war system of offering Treasury Bills weekly by tender instead of at fixed rates as during the past four years.

DUTCH CURRENCY.

London, April 12.

A Rotterdam telegram says that by Royal decree a Commission, whose Chairman is Mr. J. Giffing, the President of the Nederlandsche Bank, has been appointed to study the currency difference in Holland and the Dutch Indies and report on the advisability of changing the present unit of currency.

SHIPPING PROFITS.

Amsterdam, April 12.

The gross profits of the Holland-America line last year was 19 millions florins compared 38½ millions in 1919.

THE MOSQUITO PEST.

Sanitary Board's Activity.

Among the business at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board was a series of questions by Dr. W. V. M. Koch, on the subject of mosquitoes. Dr. Koch asked:

1. Is there a periodical recrudescence of mosquitoes in the residential areas of the Colony?

2. If so, what are the apparent causes of such recrudescence?

3. What are the remedies which have been, and should be put into force?

The replies were as follow:

1. It is noticeable that mosquitoes are more prevalent in the Spring and Autumn.

2. The apparent causes of this are:

(a) Spring.—The advent of warm weather generally associated with intermittent light rain causing small accumulations of water on the hillsides.

(b) Autumn.—The action of heavy rain in clearing all pools of larvae having ceased, opportunity occurs for mosquitoes to hatch out again.

3. Remedies.—It has been customary to have underground cut in the neighbourhood of houses in the Spring and Autumn and to send gangs of men to clear away all tins and broken bottles etc. which are then exposed. It has also been customary to oil collections of water which can not be otherwise dealt with.

Also no receipt of any complaint of mosquitoes being prevalent it has been customary to make a special inspection with a view to ascertaining their breeding places and to deal with them. A special survey is being arranged with a view to finding if any more permanent works can be carried out e.g. more training of nullahs and for alterations of house drainage.

In spite of any permanent works mosquitoes will breed in flower pots, eaves gutters if choked and other collections of water in private premises.

Dr. Koch asked permission to move a resolution without giving the usual fortnight's notice. The matter was urgent and a resolution now would make the Board's decision effective without loss of time.

The Chairman said it could be treated as a matter of urgency if two-thirds of the members present agreed.

Permission having been granted, Dr. Koch said he would like to point out that although they had been slumbering under the happy delusion that malaria had been practically wiped out of the Colony, still, it could be judged from the few official statistics that had appeared, that happy state was not quite the fact. He found from the last returns available from the Government Civil Hospital that there were 218 cases of malaria admitted, with nine deaths, and in the Tung Wah Hospital about 207, with 57 deaths, a percentage of about 25. The incidence of Malaria in the New Territories had not been recorded at the Kwong Wah Hospital, but it was a notorious fact that malaria was widely prevalent. In this Colony from time to time epidemics occurred which greatly stirred the population. They had the epidemics of cerebro-spinal fever, of plague, and small pox, and the people nearly lost their heads because of the very acute incidence and of the dramatic ending to those cases, whereas malaria, which was much more maiming in its effects and the deaths from which in one form or another, either from itself or

from one of its consequences, outnumbered all the deaths from those other epidemics. Malaria was not regarded with any dread and people naturally became indifferent to taking steps in order to suppress the possibility of the carrying of the malaria parasite.

Those steps the Chairman told them the Board had taken, but in view of the widespread prevalence of malaria, the Board ought to take more definite steps to enlist the interest and co-operation of the inhabitants of the Colony. That might be done by public advertisement in the papers, or by leaving leaflets with householders, telling them what to do and how to do it. Propaganda against malaria ought to be carried on. Propaganda was resorted to in the case of other diseases, venereal disease, for example, which was not nearly so prevalent or so deadly as malaria.

The Board would be justified in recommending to the Government that the Sanitary Board be empowered to carry out what he would call an intensive campaign against malaria in the Colony. Many new buildings were being put up everywhere, and it was a matter of common knowledge, not on account of the earth being turned up—but on account of the consequent accumulation of pools of water, especially in the hot weather, in which the mosquito parasite bred. There were parts of the island where malaria was rife and everybody was a reservoir of malaria. He knew several such cases, though he did not want to name them. He proposed the following resolution:—

"That this Board recommend that the Sanitary Department be authorised to undertake an intensive campaign against mosquitoes in the Colony."

Mr. C. G. Alabaster seconded, and the resolution was carried.

The Chairman proposed the formation of a sub-committee to give effect to the resolution, consisting of Dr. Koch, the Medical Officer, the Director of Public Works, and himself.

The Hon. Mr. Perkins asked to be excused owing to the pressure of other work.

Mr. Alabaster seconded the resolution and the Sub-Committee was then appointed, as above, with the omission of the name of the Director of Public Works.

The Overcrowding Evil.

Also among the business was the matter of numbering houses under the Overcrowding bye-laws, i.e. posting on each floor the number of people who might reside there.

In his minute on the question Mr. Tso asked why the old numbering practice was being revived now, in view of the housing problem.

The Chairman said that the reason why the old practice of numbering houses had fallen into disuse was that between 1908 and 1912 the number of square feet per head was reduced from fifty to thirty. That of course necessitated a complete alteration of every number and it was considered at the time that renumbering would not be necessary, as it was understood that with the larger number of people allowed to the square feet, overcrowding would not occur. Since that time it had become more and more evident that overcrowding had occurred and they found it now advisable to resume their old machinery. There was no idea of taking sudden action to deal with offending householders. No doubt the real remedy was to build more houses.

It was decided without further discussion to revert to the old numbering system.

Those present at the meeting were Mr. G. R. Sayer (Chairman),

Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Messrs. S. W. Tso, Chow Shou-sun, C. G. Alabaster, Hon. Mr. T. L. Perkins (Director of Public Works), Dr. W. W. Pearce (M. O. H.) and Mr. C. M. W. Reynolds (Secretary).

CHANG TSO-LIN'S VIEWS.

Manchurian War Lord's Programme.

The *Sinwanpao* reports:—Chang Tso-lin has sent up Chang Ching-hui to Peking and stated his views on the situation:—

(1) It is decided the Peking Government should confer and decide with Tsao Kun about the relief of Urga, as the three Eastern Provinces have no strength to look after the affairs in Urga, having much concern about the Chinese Eastern Railway.

(2) The Cabinet should be still maintained by Kin Yun-peng and the status quo should not be changed.

(3) Wong Shih-chen should be told to take up his post if he desires or another person should be appointed to the post of Inspector-General of Kiangsu, Anhui and Kiangsi, so as to avoid any further delay. It seems to be the case that Chang Tso-lin still desires to get Chang Hsun appointed to that post, but he does not say so expressly.

A Mukden telegram adds: Chang Tso-lin has expressed his attitude as under:—

(1)—e does not intend to restore the monarchy.

(2)—He will always oppose the Anfu faction.

(3)—He does not allow that the Chihli faction's forces alone are the only Peiyang faction.

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THE PROBLEMS BEFORE BRITISH INDUSTRY.

Mr Austen Chamberlain's Reply to Deputation.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain, as Chancellor of the Exchequer recently received at the House of Commons a deputation from the Federation of British Industries.

The purpose of the interview was to discuss the whole question of the industrial position, and to impress upon the Chancellor of the Exchequer the necessity of alleviating the burden of taxation.

The deputation was introduced by Sir Wm. Peter Rylands, president of the Federation, who said the position at the present time was very bad, and seemed to be getting worse, due in some degree to the very severe competition which British industry had to face from the Continent.

After referring to the very serious position of the coal industry, which affected all branches of trade, Sir Peter, dealing with the forthcoming Budget, pointed out the very small alleviation to the burden of taxation that was foreshadowed by Mr. Chamberlain's recent statement at Birmingham.

He was not pressing for any cancellation of the arrears of E.P. D., which was of course, an impossible suggestion, and would not have been made by the Federation; but he desired to point out that part of it would have to be paid when industry was going through a period of unique and intense depression.

He was most anxious that the Chancellor of the Exchequer should not think that he was speaking in an alarmist manner.

But there was only one way of expressing it, and that was that industry was fighting for its very life.

THREE YEARS AVERAGE OF INCOME.

Mr. Chamberlain, in replying, said the anxieties which were faced by the Federation had also to be faced by the Government, and the Government was striving to the best of its ability to see the country safely through the present difficult position.

In considering the whole world position to-day of industry and trade, it struck him what a small part taxation played amongst the many factors at work.

With reference to the criticism of the Federation as to the effect of the three years' average assessment on Income-tax, Mr. Chamberlain said that the Royal Commission on Income-tax had reported last year, and he had been unable to bring forward a Bill in the last session, but he hoped to bring forward a revenue Bill early in the present session to give effect to the report. He warned them, however, that even if that Bill was got through the House of Commons it would not affect the position for the forthcoming financial year.

He would scarcely be able to bring it into operation until the financial year following, and for the forthcoming financial year the assessment of Income-tax

WOMEN THE SUPERIOR SEX.

Dr. Dealey at American College Club.

Members of the American College Club of Shanghai met at the Y.W.C.A. the other day, when Dr. J. Q. Dealey, who is Professor of Social Economics at Brown University and exchange Professor of Psychology of the Shanghai Baptist College, gave an address, taking "The Superior Sex" as his subject. He explained the two words "androcentric," meaning man, the centre, and "gynaecocentric," meaning woman, the centre, which were coined by Dr. Lester F. Ward, the greatest of American sociologists.

With this introduction, Dr. Dealey proceeded to present illustrations and arguments from history, literature, and tradition, dealing with each viewpoint in turn. "The androcentric viewpoint," he said, "has been taught from time immemorial in all civilized lands, as a fact beyond question. Confucius wrote of the Superior Man, but presumably forgot that there might possibly be a superior Woman. Hebraic and Christian divinites are always male, and in St. John's Cathedral, New York, the Bishop refused to allow the architect to represent angels in feminine form because, he asserted, 'all Biblical angels are male.'"

As some of the earliest writings presenting the gynaecocentric argument, Dr. Dealey mentioned John Stuart Mills argument for women entitled: "The Subjection of women," and Lord Lytton's "The Coming Race," the first important Utopia depicting a civilization in which women are the superior sex. This, of course, does not mean that protests against the androcentric point of view were not occasionally made even as far back as 2,500 years ago, when the Princess Medea railed against her husband Jason because of his androcentric views. Even of Xenophon's time, the women of Athens were demanding larger rights. The philosopher Plato admitted the theory of equal rights with women and advanced an argument for them.

Dr. Dealey then presented the question of inherent superiority, saying that if a woman naturally lacks the energy and the brain-volume of a man, she cannot, by law, be made equal with him, but can only be given an equal start. "Inherent superiority of either sex," he said, "has not been proven" and, after citing some of the ways in which each sex seemingly had the advantage over the other, Dr. Dealey made the suggestion that, while perhaps either sex, is superior to the other, there are at any rate superior individuals, and the superior individuals of society are those who lead it in its many activities and make those achievements that help to advance civilization.

would be on the three years' average.

Mr. Chamberlain, concluding, asserted that the Government was doing its utmost to reduce expenditure.

GROWTH OF ROTARY CLUBS.

What the Movement Stands for.

Sixteen years ago the first Rotary Club was inaugurated in a small way in Chicago, Mr. Paul P. Harris, a lawyer of that city, bringing forward the idea of putting business on a basis less material than it had been, by substituting service as the end in view instead of profit-making. On February 23rd, 1905, his original Rotary Circle held its first meeting, and from that time onward Rotary has advanced with rapid strides.

About ten years ago Rotary took root in the British Isles, and in little over a year's time no fewer than eight clubs were formed. For some little time these clubs worked independently of each other, but they soon got into touch, and early in 1914 federated themselves into the "British Association of Rotary Clubs" with headquarters for the time being in Edinburgh, the first president being Mr. R. W. Pentland, and the honorary secretary being Mr. Thomas Stephenson.

The need for service and co-operation being greatly felt throughout the country during the war, Rotary Clubs developed rapidly, and there are now no fewer than 36 clubs throughout Great Britain and Ireland, extending from Aberdeen in the North to Plymouth in the South.

A CURE FOR STRIKES.

But this is not all. This spirit of service as applied by Rotarians to one another results in a close friendship between members, who soon become imbued with what is known as the "Rotary spirit," and display a tendency to carry it out in other spheres of activity besides only their business.

It is well known that in Rotary circles relations between employers and employees are of a very cordial character, and it has been said that if all business men were Rotarians there would be no labour unrest, while if all employees cultivated the same spirit—that of service to the community—there would be no such thing as a strike.

In other words, each member is expected to be a missionary of Rotary principles throughout his own craft. That being so, it will be seen that there is ample scope for the movement to spread throughout the community without throwing open the doors of individual Rotary clubs and making their membership unwieldy.

THE AMERICAN CONNECTION.
Since the conclusion of the war there has been much friendly intercourse between Rotarians in this country and in America, and this led to a desire on the part of the International Association to hold its Annual Convention in Great Britain.

The eleven previous Conventions have all been held in the United States, but this year the Convention is to be held in this country, and Edinburgh has been chosen as the venue.

The Convention will take place on the week commencing June 13th, and will last the whole week. It is expected that 2000 American and Canadian Rotarians, with their wives and families will come across, and that about another 1000 Rotarians will be present representing the clubs of Great Britain and Ireland, as well as representatives from France, Spain, South America, India, China and Japan.

The Rotary movement, with its 800 clubs and a total membership of 65,000, now encircles the globe. Apart from the benefit to Rotary itself, this Convention will do much to cement friendship between the English-speaking nations.

COMMUNIST PLANS.

To Supplant Government.

Emanating from Durham, a circular was in February addressed to officials of the branches throughout Britain of the Miners Federation making proposals with regard to the sending of delegates to a national conference, to be held in England, to consider the advisability of forming a new Federation with avowed Communist aims.

The proposed Federation, the circular states, will seek to work for the establishment of a Communist State, under a Soviet Government to supplant the existing Capitalistic Government.

In the statement of the objects, care has been taken to give prominence to a proposal that the new Federation will offer resistance to every attempt to break wages.

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BETTER TRAM TRACKS.

Tramway Company Meeting.

The annual general meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Tramway Company, Limited, was held at noon to-day at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. There were present Mr. D. G. M. Bernard (Chairman), the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., the Hon. Mr. Lau Chu Pak, the Rev. Father L. Robert, Mr. A. H. Compton (Directors), Mr. W. E. Roberts (Secretary), Messrs. G. Grimble, Ho Leung, W. E. L. Shenton, E. G. Wilton, W. E. Clark, and F. S. Harrison. (shareholders).

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report of the Directors and the Statement of accounts for the year 1920 have been in your possession for some considerable time, and I will with your permission, take them as read. The result of the year's working is very satisfactory, traffic receipts showing an increase of \$89,035, while working expenses decreased by \$12,080. The number of passengers carried during the year, exclusive of monthly ticket holders, amounted to 14,104,224, an increase over the previous year of 1,203,054. With regard to the working expenses, the decrease is due to the fact that there was very little maintenance work carried out on the track during the year, as we were busily engaged laying new rails from Whitty Street to Causeway Bay, which, of course, is a capital charge. The saving on track maintenance account amounted to \$26,733, so that other working expenses actually increased by \$14,653, accounted for chiefly by the fact that wages paid to Chinese employees were increased in April of last year by 32½%. The rate of exchange at which the accounts have been converted into sterling is 1s. 8½d less than the rate taken for the previous year, and a credit of £49,591,178d. appears in the Profit & Loss account, representing the difference in exchange on the excess of dollar liabilities over dollar assets. From this item has been deducted the difference arising from the conversion of Capital Expenditure at the rate of 2/- per dollar as usual instead of 3/2, leaving a net credit in Profit & Loss account of £22,968,161.11d.

The relaying of rails has now been completed, and a very excellent job has been made of it. This section will require very little attention for some time, and the Company will benefit in a saving of maintenance charges, whilst passengers will, I am sure, appreciate the absence of jolting when travelling on the cars. Two thirds of the relaid track has been paved with granite setts, and although the original cost of this form of paving is higher than the asphaltum or macadam surfacing the cost of upkeep will be very much less, and certainly a magnificent roadway is obtained. Other portions of the track now need attention, particularly the section from Whitty Street to Kennedy Town, and although it is not at present necessary to lay new rails, a large amount of repair work must be done immediately.

In view of the increasing traffic on the tramway, your directors decided to construct an additional six cars, and it is expected that these will be in service by the end of June next.

Since the Directors Report was issued, the Hon. Mr. John Johnston has retired from the Board, and your directors elected me to fill the vacancy. A resolution referring to this will be proposed later. I now beg to propose:—That the Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December 1920 be and the same are hereby adopted.

This was seconded by Sir Paul Chater and carried unanimously.

It was proposed by Mr. D. G. M. Bernard and seconded by Hon. Sir C. P. Chater and carried unanimously that the final Dividend for the year ended 31st December 1920 at the rate of one shilling and three pence per share (making a total of two shillings per share for the year) recommended by the Directors be and is hereby sanctioned, and that the same be paid to the shareholders on the Colonial (Hongkong) Register at the exchange rate of three shillings and two pence per Hongkong dollar.

It was proposed by Mr. W. E. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Geo. Grimble and carried unanimously that Mr. D. G. M. Bernard be re-elected a Director of the Company, and that the retir-

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33 x 4	Sioux (Straight side)	88.50	13.50
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34 x 4	Fisk (Straight side) N.S.	70.00	15.50
34 x 4	Sioux (S.S.)	90.00	15.50
34 x 4½	Dunlop (S.S.)	95.00	15.50
35 x 4½	Dunlop (Clincher)	95.00	16.00
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37 x 5	Dunlop (Clincher or S.S.)	130.00	20.00
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ing directors, the Rev. Fr. Robert and Mr. A. H. Compton be re-elected Directors of the Company."

It was proposed by Mr. Ho Leung and seconded by Mr. F. S. Harrison and carried that Messrs. Lowe Bingham and Matthews be elected Auditors of the Company at a fee of \$1,000 to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting.

The Chairman announced that dividend warrants were ready.

DIVORCE IN INDIA.

Is it Effective in England?

In the Divorce Court, London, Captain Reginald Keyes of Dartford, Kent, petitioned for a divorce from his wife, Mrs. Annie Borah Keyes, on the ground of her misconduct with Mr. Gerald Cecil Gray.

Petitioner had obtained a divorce from his wife in the Punjab High Court in 1918, the decree later being made absolute, and the case raised the question of the validity of the Indian Divorce in England.

The Attorney-General, whom the President had asked to attend, said he was bound to submit there might be grave doubts whether Indian Courts had power to dissolve marriages in such a case as this where the parties were not domiciled in India. The whole question was whether the Indian Court had power to grant divorce to persons domiciled and married in England, but resident in India, and to grant it in such a way as to make it effective in this country.

Was the word "reside" in the Indian Act to mean residing in India or domiciled there? There was no doubt that to make a divorce valid beyond the territory where it was granted the foundation of jurisdiction must be permanent domicile.

The next question was whether the Imperial Parliament could have authorised legislation in India contrary to fundamental principles of divorce jurisdiction, and if India had this power why not the Colonies?

Sir Erle Richards said the Secretary for India placed great importance on the question. For fifty years or more divorces had been granted in India to Englishmen resident there, and no doubt there had been many remarriages and children born whose legitimacy depended upon the validity of those divorces, and if now it were to be laid down those divorces were invalid then one was faced with a very difficult position, which could be cured only by legislation throughout in regard to European subjects.

The Indian Courts had been given jurisdiction in matrimonial matters, and it would cause great scandal and confusion if persons divorced in India were to be regarded in England as married. India stood in a special category different from any of the Colonies owing to the difference of conditions; and the usual test of domicile would be fatal in the case of India.

The President reserved judgment.

IN PARLIAMENT.

In the House of Commons recently, Mr. Chamberlain, replying to Mr. George Terrell, who pointed out that to the great depression in trade the continuation of the three years' average in connection with income-tax would operate oppressively, said he hoped to bring in a bill this year, but it could not come into operation until the following year.

WOMEN AND JURY SERVICE. Mr. Bonar Law, replying to Mr. G. Terrell, was understood to intimate that the Government were not prepared to grant facilities for legislation providing that no woman should be liable to serve on a jury without her consent. The present law enabled the Judge to exempt a woman from service on her own application.

PROPOSAL TO HAVE A FIXED DATE.

The text is published of a Bill introduced in the House of Lords by Lord Desborough providing that in 1922 and subsequent years Easter Day shall be observed on the second Sunday in April, and that all other movable feasts and fasts so kept on days ascertained by reference to this fixed Easter, except Advent Sunday, which shall remain unchanged.

VICTORY MEDAL CHANGE. Sir L. Worthington-Evans, replying to Major Cohen, said that approximately 550,000 Victory Medals had been melted down owing to a change of design which was found necessary to carry out.

No British War Medals had been held up to be issued with Victory Medals, and nearly 2,000,000 had already been dispatched.

It had been found that some of the Victory Medals were irretrievable and instructions had been given to suspend the issue of these irretrievable medals.

IMPORTS FROM GERMANY. Sir P. Lloyd Greame informed Mr. R. Terrell that German imports in the third quarter of 1920 amounted to \$8,743,000, and in the fourth quarter to £10,494,000. These imports had doubtless contributed to some extent to depression in the labour market in this country. He was not aware that certain of these goods had been marked "Made in Birmingham."

THE CENSUS. Major Sir Bertram Falle asked if it was absolutely necessary to take the census this year, and if such might not be put off for a couple of years with advantage and economy.

Mr. Bonar Law said in view of changes caused by the war it was considered necessary that a census should be taken this year. Arrangements for it had gone so far that cancellation would be out of the question.

MESOPOTAMIA. Mr. Churchill, answering Captain Viscount Curzon, said the responsibility for expenditure in Mesopotamia and Palestine was about to be transferred for him to give an estimate of the annual cost involved in acceptance of the mandates for these countries and consulting the local authorities. He would lose

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no time in doing this, and hoped to make a full statement to the House on the subject after the Easter adjournment.

IRISH UNIONISTS' DECLARATION.

Independence or Union.

The Executive Committee of the Irish Unionist Alliance, having consulted representatives of the General Council of the Alliance of county branches in Southern Ireland, have issued a statement announcing that they are satisfied that the overwhelming body of opinion of Southern Unionists is that under the policy of Union alone can good government be assured and highest interest of country and Empire promoted.

That a Southern Parliament will be elected to proceed to perform the functions of a Parliament, the statement says, is improbable. It is more likely either that no Parliament will be elected or that a Parliament may be elected which will refuse to function, or that a Parliament

may be elected which will not represent the predominant party, and which would accordingly be powerless to govern.

Under existing conditions it would be futile for Unionists to take part in elections for any Parliament which could come into existence in Southern Ireland.

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Entrance forms for the Show can be had from the undersigned and must be sent in, together with the fee, not later than SATURDAY, 23rd April.

Intending exhibitors are requested to send in their entries as soon as possible in order to allow sufficient time to make up classes and arrange for the necessary accommodation.

B. L. FROST,

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A Rowing Dinner will be held after the REGATTA at 8 p.m. at the Hongkong Hotel. Will those wishing to be present kindly send their names to the undersigned not later than the 20th inst.

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A Concert, arranged by the Staff and Departments Sports Club, will be given in the R. A. Theatre, Victoria Barracks, on Thursday, 14th April, commencing at 8.45 p.m.

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1. That the present Hongkong Cricket Club be wound up, and the committee be authorised to take all necessary steps for that purpose.

2. That the committee be authorised to register a Company Limited by guarantee not exceeding \$100 per member, on the terms of the Memorandum and Articles of Association which will be submitted to the meeting.

3. That the committee be authorised to assign and hand over to the new Company, when registered, all the assets of the Club.

Should the proposed resolutions be passed at this meeting a subsequent confirmatory meeting will be called.

Copies of the proposed Memorandum and Articles of Association may be seen by members at the Pavilion.

By order of the Committee

L. S. GREENHILL

Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1921.

ROYAL ARTILLERY ATHLETIC SPORTS.

The Royal Artillery are holding their Annual Regimental Sports on Thursday, 14th April 1921 at the United Services Recreation Club Ground, Kowloon, commencing 2 p.m. Lieut. Colonel W. Loring, C.M.G., D.S.O., and Officers, Royal Artillery, will be "At Home" and hope their friends will accept this as an invitation.

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inst. will be subject to rent.
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left in the Godowns for examina-
tion by the Consignees' repre-
sentative and the Company's
Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and
Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednesday
and Saturday. All claims must
be presented within Ten days of
the steamer's arrival here, after
which date they cannot be re-
cognized. No claim will be ad-
mitted after the goods have left
the Godowns.

No fire insurance whatever
will be effected.

Consignees are requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignatures immediately.

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Manager.
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aged goods are to be left in the
godowns, where they will be
examined on Friday, 15th instant
at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented
Fifteen days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they
cannot be recognized.

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after the goods have left the Go-
dows, and all Goods remaining
undelivered after the 16th inst.
will be subject to rent.

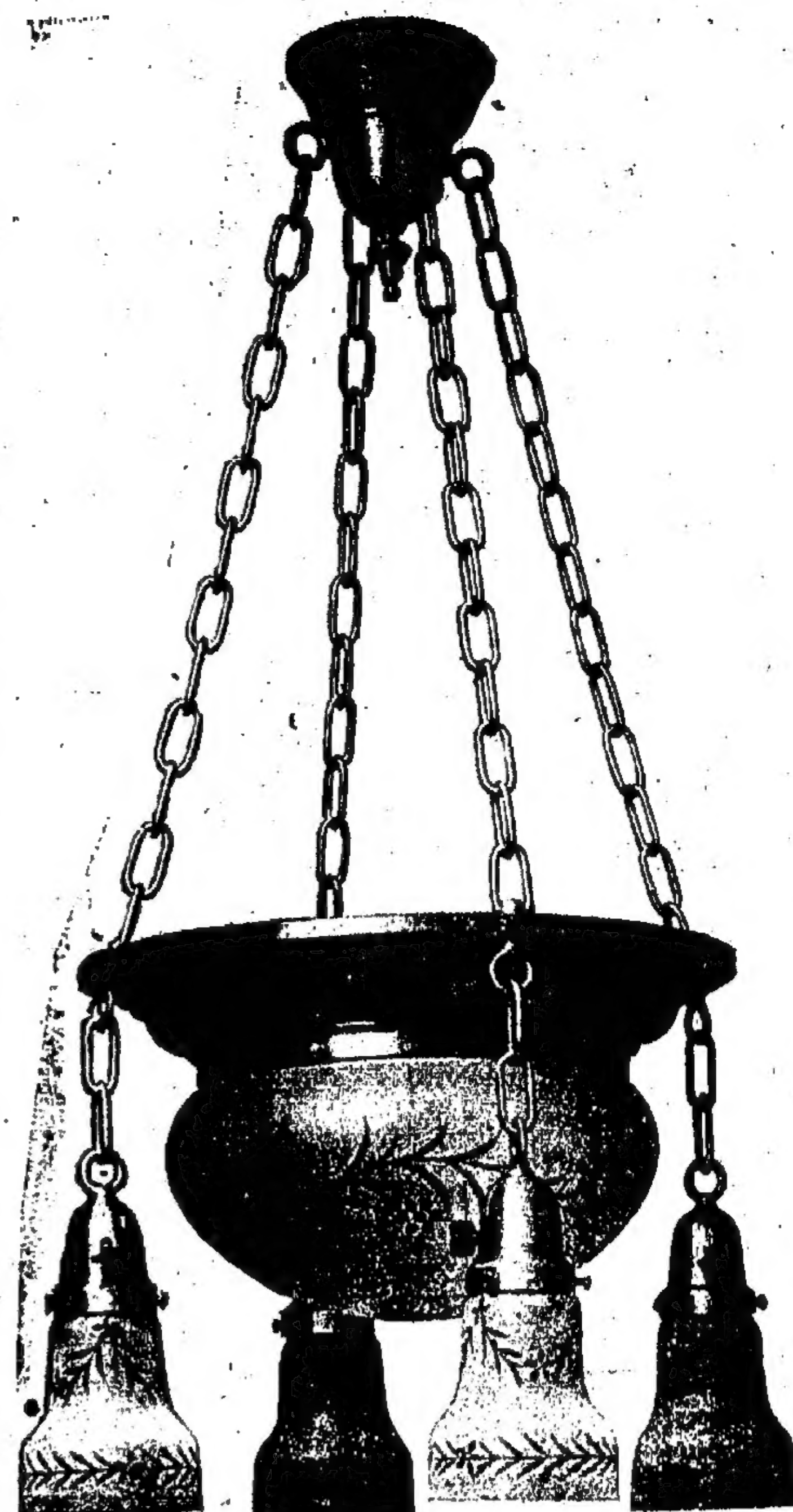
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PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE.

Local Authorities Preparing
Data.

Many of the representative ele-
ments and institutions among the
Filipinos are already preparing
for the investigation of condi-
tions of the islands by the Wood-Forbes
Commission with a view to
settling permanently the relation
between the United States and
the Philippines. Data are being
compiled by various organiza-
tions, governmental and other-
wise, tending to show that con-
ditions in the Philippines to-day
are such as to warrant the
granting of independence to the
Filipinos.

If a resolution introduced at a
recent meeting of the municipal
board is adopted, the municipal
Board of Manila, will submit a
written statement to the investi-
gators about present conditions
in the Philippines, the statement
to contain the allegation, that
that the Filipinos are capable of
self-government and that the
conditions imposed by the Jones
law for the granting of independ-
ence have been amply fulfilled.
The resolution was fathered by

Member Agaton Cecilo and has
been referred to a special com-
mittee of the board for study
and recommendation. The
resolution says:

"In view of the statements is-
sued by the acting governor-gen-
eral in regard to desire of the
investigating committee that is
coming to the Philippines to have
for them ready written testimonies
about the true conditions of the
Philippines, from representative
bodies and elements in the
islands, the undersigned proposes
that the municipal board of
Manila, being one of these
representative bodies, submit a
statement to this effect to the
commissioners."

The Bureau of Health will
furnish the commissioners with
data about the condition of
health and sanitation in the
islands, tending to show that the
Philippines have progressed
along these lines. The reduction
of infant mortality as a result of
the activities of the Philippine
health service, will be greatly
emphasized, it is understood.
Other governmental entities, it
is understood, are also preparing
data about the progress they have
made.

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to steamer's arrival.

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aged goods are to be left in the
Godowns, where they will be
examined on any Tuesdays and
Fridays between the hours of
10.45 a.m. and noon within the
free storage period.

No claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the steamer's
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undelivered after the 16th April,
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Death.

GRAY.—At the Government Civil Hospital, on 12th April, John Graham, aged 46 years, eldest son of the late R. J. Gray of Brisbane, and grandson of the late Col. C. G. Gray, 44th Regiment. The funeral will pass the Monument at 5.00 p.m. to-day.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13, 1921.

A FEW THOUGHTS ON THE STRIKE.

In referring on Monday on the action of the Triple Alliance we spoke of the threat to the nation involved therein. The suspension of such industries as coal-mining, the railways, and the general transport service must constitute a menace to the well-being of any State, especially when coupled with the danger of the flooding of the mines, thereby involving the risk of permanent destruction. In saying this the reference is to a simple point of fact, without prejudice to the general merits of the dispute. It is open to the workers to argue that the strike is, in certain circumstances, an essential weapon. Equally essential, in the interests of the community as a whole, is Government action to preserve public utilities while the dispute is pending. Not only industry but existence itself is bound up with coal and transport. Therefore the steps taken by the Government to meet the emergency and the response from volunteers are matters for congratulation, wherever blame may lay for the strike.

The risk of flooding belongs to a somewhat different category from suspension of work, seeing that a natural asset of enormous importance to the nation is subjected to ruin. No doubt the Miners' Federation relied upon this as a final lever, thinking that the owners would capitulate rather than see the mines destroyed; and the owners, on their side, were probably disposed to discount the threat, thinking that the miners would hesitate to take the bread from out their own mouths. The danger of flooding is not a fresh feature in the strife between coalowner and coalminer, but such a policy has not previously been pursued with the same determination. However, the Miners' Federation, apparently through the persuasion of its partners in the Triple Alliance, has modified its attitude so far as to instruct its members not to oppose volunteers. The Premier, who at first stipulated for the return of the pumpmen as a condition precedent to negotiations, evidently considers this concession to be of sufficient value to constitute a starting-point along the road to conciliation.

This preliminary hurdle having been negotiated, it is disappointing to hear that discussions have broken down. Reuter has been liberal, not to say lavish, in coal-strike messages. Unfortunately, they contain very little data upon which to assess the precise merits. In point of fact, they do not tell us with any approach to exactitude what the matters in dispute are. On the part of the owners, one gathers generally that a reduction of wages is proposed, but of what amount or nature is not indicated. On the part of the miners, there is the demand for a national wage standard and a national pool, which sounds a plain proposition, but involves numerous issues. What is to be the national basis? Mines very greatly in their paying powers, and it is asking a lot of owners of successful mines that they shall contribute to the finances of the poorer collieries. It is not easy to recall any industry operated on these lines. If the national standard were fixed upon an average basis, the miners in profitable areas, such as South Wales, would stand to lose. Hence the need of more data. The difficulty of fixing a national wage was recognised at the time of the 1912 strike, when Mr. Asquith, the then Premier, declined to commit himself to a single standard. If the miners can frame any sort of a practicable national basis, it calls for appropriate consideration.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

Mail Delays.

When our mails are irregular in arriving we often have a dig at our friends at Singapore, accusing them of not looking after our interests properly. But we notice in the latest Singapore paper to hand that complaint has been made against officials in Penang, at which point the mails begin their overland journey to the southern Colony. The *Singapore Free Press* says:—

"The P. and O. Nagoya, bringing mails of March 3rd and 10th, arrived in Penang before daylight on Monday morning. She had an exceptionally heavy mail aboard, and the ship's mail officers had received the bags into three holds, properly stowed, for quick delivery. It was therefore somewhat surprising that the morning train was not caught, and we are told that it was due to only one responsible mail officer being sent off from the Post Office, absurdly inadequate to deal with the necessary checking and receipt of so many packages. If this is so, there is a clear case for enquiry, for it is useless for vessels to hurry up to get into port, and then to find that due arrangements have not been made for the reception and speedy despatch of the mails. In the case of the 'Soudan,' which arrived a week earlier, the vessel was outside Penang about midnight, but as she did not go to the anchorage, nothing could be done to secure despatch of the mails by the morning train. A passenger, however, informs us that the utmost deliberation was taken. If mails are thus late in arriving at Singapore, how often might it be that a fast boat to Hongkong has just been missed? We in Hongkong are almost at the end of the line, and it is small wonder that our mails often arrive long after the scheduled time."

Chess Championship.

Chess-players everywhere will no doubt be following with keen interest the cable results of the world's championship contest which is proceeding at Havana between Senhor Capablanca and Dr. Lasker. Up to the present, the play has gone in favour of the former, who, in ten games, has two wins to his credit, the remaining eight having all been drawn. It will doubtless interest our readers to learn that the conditions for this championship contest provide for the playing of 24 games, and whoever first secures eight games will win the match. Draws do not count, and a time-limit of 15 moves per hour is laid down. So far, there has been a preponderance of draws in the games played. It was not until the fifth meeting that Capablanca scored a win, and then there was a further run of four draws before he again beat his opponent. The question now is whether he can get the requisite number of victories to win him the contest. On that, we must possess ourselves in patience and watch the cabled news.

History Text-Books.

Not long ago Mr. Owen Wister was reading his fellow-countryman of the United States a lecture upon how history should be written, and now we have Mr. Ando Masazumi, a Kokumin-To member of the Japanese Diet, complaining that the history text-books used in the schools of the island Empire in the Pacific are, to all intents and purposes, histories of war. He might have added that the history-books of other countries are much the same. To a certain extent this is inevitable, for wars have had an important influence in history. The fault dwells in a tendency to invest war with a glamour. As Gibbon said, history is mainly a record of errors and follies, and war is the worst of these. Even while nations still resort to force we could do with more histories on the model of Green's "History of the English People."

FISHING RIGHTS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

Senator Indian has introduced a bill in the State Senate to prohibit aliens from engaging in commercial fishing. The bill is aimed at preventing the Japanese from controlling a large part of the fishing industry. The canneries are opposing the measure, fearing a curtailment of the supply of fish in Southern California.

DAY BY DAY.

ERROR OF OPINION MAY BE TOLERATED WHERE REASON IS LEFT FREE TO COMBAT IT.—*Thomas Jefferson.*

The smuggling of cigarettes appears to be on the increase since the new impositions. No less than 17,000 cigarettes were seized by the Revenue Officers yesterday at the local wharves.

Yesterdays' return of notifiable diseases shows that there were two cases of small-pox (one fatal), one fatal case of enteric fever and one non-fatal case of relapsing fever. All the sufferers were Chinese.

The Hongkong Theatre is screening to-day a beautiful drama in five reels in which the well-known star Dorothy Delton takes the leading role in "Love Letters." It is a high class Paramount picture. A comedy entitled "On the beach at Waikiki" will also be screened as well, also a few pictures from the British Gazette. At the 7.15 p.m. the drama "Dawn" will be repeated.

COUNCIL MEETING.

The Agenda for To-Morrow.

A meeting of the Legislative Council is being held to-morrow afternoon, the business on the agenda being:—

First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to provide for the transference of property, rights and powers to successive holders of the office of Custodian of Enemy Property.

First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to modify certain provisions of the Treaty of Peace Order, 1919, as amended by the Treaty of Peace (Amendment) Order, 1920, and by the Treaty of Peace (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 1920, for the purpose of adapting the provisions of the Order to the circumstances of the Colony of Hongkong.

First reading of a Bill intituled An Ordinance to amend the law relating to stamp duty.

LOCAL FIRES.

The damage caused to Wiseman's Bakery at Wanchoi yesterday morning as a result of the fire, is estimated at \$500 which is more than covered by the insurance, which amounts to \$33,000.

Fire broke out at Queen's Road West at 9 p.m. yesterday. The alarm was received at the Central Fire Station shortly afterwards, and the Brigade, under the supervision of Stationmaster Moss, turned out to the scene which proved to be No. 72 Queen's Road. The flames made rapid progress and had completely destroyed the two lower storeys before the work of the Brigade became effective. The damage done to the property of the inmates of the house was covered by insurance, in the case of the first floor for \$3,000, and the second floor, for \$1,500. The damage in the case of the ground floor, used as a storeroom for metals, was not serious.

CANTON NEWS.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen has decided to assume officially the President's post on April 20. Citizen Societies and other bodies in Canton and the Province are preparing to celebrate the occasion on a grand scale, with day and night processions and fireworks displays. The day will be observed as a general holiday.

It is rumoured that owing to the hostile attitude of all the military officials because of the sudden election of a "President," U Hon-min and Wong Ching-wai are busily engaged in the attempted pacification of all parties, claiming that no change will be made in the position of Chan King-ming and that his administrative influence will not be interfered with.

It has been proposed to order the Provincial Bank of Kwangtung to issue more notes to the value of \$10,000,000 to meet the expenses of the new Government.

AVIATION NOTES.

(By "Meteorite.")

With regard to the report of the Economic Resources Commission just issued, it is gratifying to note that the possibilities of the Colony as an aviation centre were not excluded from the investigations of that body. The report throws a fresh light on to a question which was thought by some to be viewed with indifference by the Government. We are informed in the report that the Director of the Observatory had been requested during his sojourn on leave in England to get into touch with Home experts with a view to obtaining their advice on the question of the Colony's assistance to aviation through meteorological channels. The recommendations which the Director subsequently enabled to make urged for the equipment of the Observatory with diverse technical instruments to prosecute upper air research, and to operate which the services of special experts were required, and recommended this would have meant another big item in the Colony's expenditure, and in view of the present undeveloped state of local aviation, was a course to which the Government did not care to commit itself. At least this is what I take the position to be, for the Government, in its reply to these recommendations, asked the Director to amend his suggestions so as to exclude the liability of engaging experts. Whatever merits this course may claim to have on economical grounds, it certainly places a handicap on the local Observatory's work in any research into the conditions of the Colony's upper atmosphere. Such research is considered by the Home experts to be essential, if the Colony is to provide all the facilities which aviation expect of a locality so well placed in the scheme of future aviation expansion.

Not many years ago when the question of laying a trans-Atlantic cable was under consideration there were many opinions expressed pro and con, including a mathematical proof by a Prof. Loring of Harvard University that it was impossible to telegraph three thousand miles under the ocean. Since that time cables have been laid successfully to almost all parts of the world and are today our chief means of rapid long distance communication. Today we have records of cable laying by airplane. On first thought one wonders just where the utility of such a means might appear, but the potentialities of the process are many when duly considered. The laying of cables by aid of airplanes permits a rapid and positive establishment and also maintenance of electric communications connections in the field from a military point of view, entirely independent of the character of the ground, and forms an effective means in the hands of army chiefs or battle leaders for influencing operations or the development of battle.

The system of laying cables from airplanes can be briefly characterized in that the apparatus is insignificant in weight and requires little space, and it can be installed readily on any airplane. The apparatus consists mainly of two parts, the one, the wire holder which may conveniently be placed in or near the pilot's cockpit and the signal apparatus which is placed in the rear of the airplane, consisting of an appropriate number of falling weights unfastened by a special method with signal attached. When the wires are sent down to the ground, the flags indicate, the spot where the wires have taken ground. A device is provided for cutting off the wires after sufficient cable has been laid. The wire runs out from the holder through the signal apparatus. All the apparatus is easy to construct and requires no fine adjustments. The whole cable laying process is effected by a single manipulation, and both single and double wires may be laid. There is no necessity for descent in order to establish the connections.

From a commercial point of view there may be possibilities in such a system as this in mining operations, forestry work and lumbering, scientific explorations, or other endeavours where communication is necessary, yet too difficult of installation by other means. In forest fire patrol work such a means as this might be used in maintaining communication between various squads of fire fighters on the ground in the

A GREAT VIOLINIST.

Mischa Elman to Visit Hongkong.

Hongkong music lovers will soon have opportunity of hearing the world-renowned violinist, Mischa Elman. Messrs. Moutrie and Company informing us that recitals will be given here on May 21st, May 24th, and possibly May 26th. News has been received lately of the wonderful reception given to Elman by the folk of Shanghai, and after a stay in Manila he will journey on to Hongkong and will probably make a visit to Macao.

Mischa Elman was born in South Russia and owed his musical education to accidentally meeting the great teacher Leopold Auer when the latter was on tour and heard young Elman playing. On making a public appearance he met with overwhelming successes in Russia and London. Among violinists the "Elman tone" is spoken of with almost bated breath, as a thing apart from ordinary experience. It has a fullness of volume and sensuous richness of quality that make it unique and it is used with extraordinary nicety of technique and musicianly understanding.

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OBITUARY.

Mr. J. G. Gray.

We regret to record the death of Mr. J. G. Gray which took place yesterday at the Government Civil Hospital. Mr. Gray was a member of the firm of Messrs. Snowman and Co. ship and freight brokers, and was extremely popular in the Colony, not only with the shipping fraternity but with a wide circle of merchants and others. The deceased sustained a cut finger some days ago and later on blood poisoning set in. Although every possible medical assistance was rendered the deceased died yesterday. The news of his death will come as a surprise to many. The deceased was 46 years of age and had always been in good health. He came to Hongkong from Brisbane, and is the son of Mr. R. J. Gray of that city. The funeral passes the Monument to-day at 5 p.m.

interest of co-ordinating their efforts. So then all in all this seems to be valuable additional means of establishing communication and very much worth exploration and adoption.

Between Ourselves

By Robt. MacWhirter.

Dear Mr. Loyalist,

Last Saturday, Hongkong was full of gloom. Nearly every second man ye met looked as if he had tossed for a dinner and lost. "Aye," said they, shifting their golf-clubs onto the other shoulder, "things are looking very bad at Home, civil war and all the rest of it."

Now I was never one to seek for trouble before I came to it, more especially when it's ten thousand miles away and that was the thought I had in mind when I wrote the screed I did and which may be made you in last night's paper say that I was "rather inclined to belittle the seriousness of the situation and the gravity, etc., etc."

Nothing of the kind I assure you. In effect, what I said was "The news we're to hand is partisan. Some of it lies. We've been through this sort of thing before and nothing desperate happened. Let's learn a bit more before we begin to shoot." In other words because I refuse to be scared out of five years growth, you accuse me of no being serious.

All right, let's be serious for once. What's the fight about on any way? The best way to understand a problem is to dwarf it. The only way to answer a complex question is to reduce the conditions surrounding it to simple principles. The fight going on at Home the now is one between Capital and Labour or, to make it more simple still, wages versus profits.

Consider the great epidemic of unrest abroad throughout all the world today from any angle ye like and ye'll find these two factors stuck fair in the centre of the problem. Talk for a month of Sundays about all the symptoms and at the end ye must come back to these two.

TO-DAY'S MISCELLANY.

A protest made by Lord Haldane in the House of Lords recently brought to light a duality of that Chamber which receives little attention but which may give some trouble when reform is undertaken. The subject of the protest was the fact that while the Law Lords were busy with their judicial functions they had been asked to give a first reading to a political measure, and Lord Haldane protested against this confusion of the two capacities of the House. There could of course be no greater authority than Lord Haldane, a former Lord Chancellor and an eminent constitutional lawyer; yet the fact does remain that there is, in theory, no difference between the House of Lords as a legislative body and the House of Lords as a final Court of Appeal except in one respect, and that is a modern arrangement. The Act of 1876 laid it down that the House should not hear an appeal unless at least three persons with specified legal qualifications were present. Apart from that stipulation there is no difference in theory. The judgment of the final Court of Appeal is regarded as the judgment of the whole House of Lords, and any member of that House is technically within his rights in attending and taking part in the proceedings, so that, in theory, the law Lords could be swamped at any time in a purely legal question by an incursion of lay peers.

Most of the world's emeralds now come from the Muzo Mines in Colombia, where an emerald weighing 630 carats has recently been found. The Muzo Mines are in a mountainous district, about 90 miles from Bogota, and most difficult of access. All the miners employed there are pure-blooded Indians, who show an almost incredible degree of skill in breaking through the limestone containing the gems. Though the pointed bars with which they work weigh quite thirty pounds, a miner can strike exactly the same spot with the point of the bar 50 or 60 times in succession, deviating not one hair's breadth, and using just sufficient force to break the limestone without damaging the emerald or the calcite in which it is embedded. Each miner has to undertake to remain at the mines for not less than three months at a stretch, during which period, though well housed, fed, amused, he is kept a prisoner, so as to prevent any illicit sale of the emeralds. The Muzo Mines, which belong to the Colombian Government, yield a profit of about £100,000 a year.

Some of the symptoms are agitators, red flags, strikes, militant Trade Unions, factories and mines closed to "teach workers their place" and a few million of jobless men.

Now you can't suppress this epidemic of human unrest by making laws against the symptoms. Doctors don't stop an epidemic of typhoid fever by shooting the victims. They get busy the w' water supply instead.

You may, for a time, choke the cry for liberty and justice but if you do you surely set the stage for an explosion. Bullets and prisons (think of Ireland in this connection) never yet settled anything right or for good. Suppress grievances and they spring up in the hearts of the next generation.

Among the workers there are some bad ones just as there are in every class of humans, just as there are among capitalists and representatives of the people, to wit, our Government. But the worker canna' be wrong every time and all the time. You would appear to be of a class indifferent to the welfare of all but yourselves. It may pay us for a time to use all the powers we possess against our fellow men, without a care for their welfare; but no' for long.

No, we canna' climb to anything lasting on the doctrine of the extinction of other men's rights; on the idea that economic power is the only thing that justifies what we may do. Sooner or later we must go back to the idea that right is right, be it backed by might or not. Under such conditions there need be no fear of the safety of "the Throne, the Empire and the Nation."

Yours etc.,

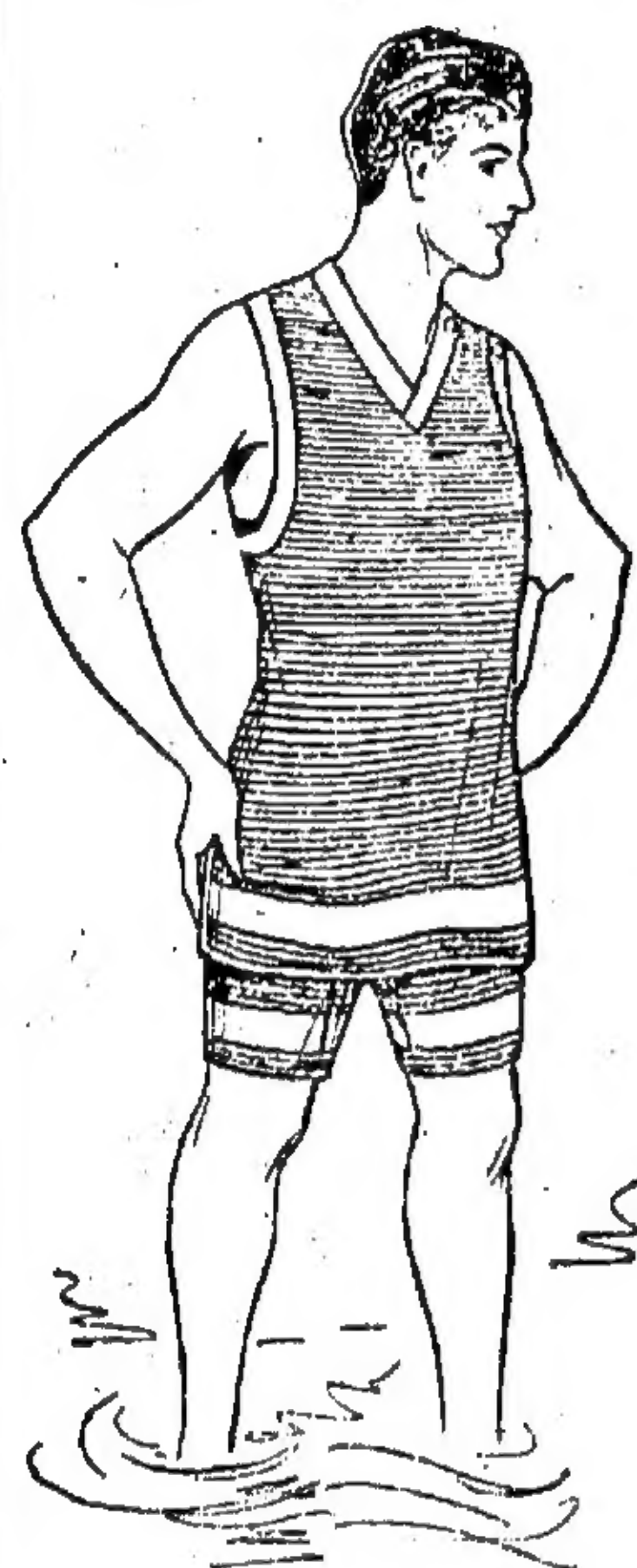
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SCHOOL SPORTS.

St. Joseph's College
Meeting.

The annual athletic meeting in connection with St. Joseph's College and the other Catholic Schools and Convents of the Colony took place at Happy Valley yesterday in the presence of a large gathering of parents and visitors. A varied programme gave a large selection to competitors, who, notwithstanding the somewhat sultry weather, contested each event with great zest. The one mile bicycle race excited the greatest interest and was won by Ignatieff, whose great advantage in height and bulk no doubt helped him considerably in carrying off a gruelling event. The champion of the meeting turned out to be a little fellow named B. Gosano, who, it will be remembered, participated with almost equal distinction in last year's event.

At the conclusion of the sports, Lady Brunyate very graciously distributed the prizes, aided by a staunch friend of the College in the person of Colonel Bowen. She was made the recipient of a bouquet, presented by a little pupil from the Italian convent.

The Rev. Brother Marcel, Director of the College, in a brief speech thanked Sir William and Lady Brunyate for the honour they accorded the College by their presence. He believed that was the first public appearance of the Vice-Chancellor and his consort since their arrival in this Colony. On behalf of the College he also gave thanks to the prize-donors and to the Stewards of the Race Course for so kindly lending them their ground.

The remarks of the Rev. Brother Director were received amidst applause.

His Lordship Bishop Pozzonire was also amongst the visitors present.

The following are the results:

Long jump (junior): 1, Michael Lim; 2, Peter Lim. Distance 14½ feet.

Long jump (senior): 1, J. S. Acker; 2, Tay Yee Ai. Distance 17 feet.

100 yds. flat race: 1, A. de Silva; 2, Ishimatsu. Time 10.2½ secs.

120 yds. flat race (senior): 1, Hugh Braga; 2, Peter Remedios. Time 12 secs.

50 yds. small boys' race: 1, B. Gosano; 2, C. Paley; 3, F. Franco. Time 6.15 secs.

440 yds. flat race (junior): 1, A. de Silva; 2, J. Maher. Time 57 secs.

60 yds. flat race (open to sons of past pupils not attending St. Joseph's College): 1, C. Victor; 2, G. Victor.

100 yds. flat race (senior): 1, Hugh Braga; 2, S. Rumjahn. Time 53 secs.

100 yds. small boys' race: 1, B. Gosano; 2, C. Paley.

High jump (junior): 1, A. Gosano; 2, Michael Lim. Height 4ft. 8in.

High jump (senior): 1, F. Woo; 2, K. M. Omar. Height 5ft. 1in.

120 yds. flat race (open to St. Lewis Industrial School): 1, Wong See; 2, Way Kau.

220 yds. flat race: 1, J. Maher; 2, C. da Silva. Time 24.45 secs.

220 yds. flat race (senior): 1, S. Rumjahn; 2, Hugh Braga. Time 25 secs.

120 yds. flat race (open to members of St. Joseph's College Association): 1, F. L. Marquis; 2, R. F. Soares.

Team race, 200 yds. (open to all schools): 1, St. Paul's College.

Sack race: 1, B. Gosano; 2, A. Kitchell.

100 yds. flat race (open to Italian Convent School): 1, M. Dillon; 2, Leonard.

Half-time flat race (junior): 1, J. Maher; 2, F. M. da Silva. Time 2.13½ secs.

Half mile flat race (senior): 1, B. Abadie; 2, Julius Holm. Time 2.13½ secs.

100 yds. flat race (open to the Kai Lap School): 1, Sap Ng; 2, Lok Ka-chung.

100 yds. flat race (open to sons of past pupils not attending St. Joseph's College): 1, C. Victor; 2, J. Victor.

One mile bicycle race: 1, A. Ignatieff; 2, M. Remedios. Time 3.25 secs.

100 yds. flat race (open to St. Mary's School, Kowloon): 1, C. Xavier; 2, Ida Oliveira.

100 yds. flat race (open to St. Francis' School). Girls: 1, R. Chui; 2, L. Mayard. Boys: L. G. Chow; 2, A. Sufflad.

Three-legged race, 100 yds. (senior and junior): 1, C. Silva and Tay Yee Wai; 2, F. S. Hachima and Ishimatsu.

100 yds. flat race (open to French Convent School): 1, S. A. Soares; 2, B. Hardwick.

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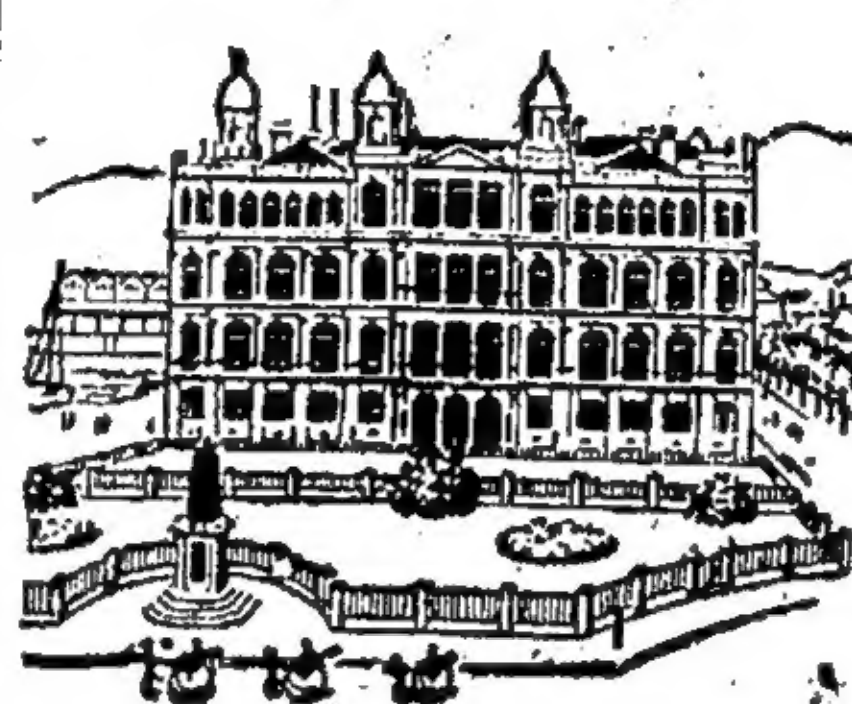
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THE COAL CRISIS

"Reply to Loyalist."

We have received the following in reply to the letter we printed yesterday:—

Sir,—One would think that your correspondent "Loyalist" must surely have been born prior to 1850, or, alternatively, that he certainly ought to have been.

Why should one be provoked to reply to such senile utterances? To do so would seem to depreciate the capacity for judgement of one's fellow readers, but one cannot easily stifle an urgent protest.

If "Loyalist" is really serious then one can perhaps most easily picture him as ogling at the feet of our great boob Winston, for whose political annihilation all true patriots are now so earnestly praying. The "patriotism" and "loyalty" of your correspondent are of this same cannon brand, the braggart schoolboy's. "Loyalist" longs for the return of the good old days when the selfishness of the one party was only weakly resisted by the selfishness of the other; but he speaks not of the former, nor of the right of existence which was the original plank of the latter.

But are we not now getting beyond all this? "Loyalist" is really too feeble. He talks about Bolshevism and is himself redder than the reddest "red". In his anxiety lest the Bolsheviks involve us in ruin, he strikes the red attitude par excellence. This won't do. Admittedly, "Loyalist" is an old fogey but, unfortunately in this case, he is a danger to the community. He wants to fight somebody, actually revels in the idea and is, of a truth, more dangerous than the most ardent anarchist, since more fools may take him seriously.

As a respectable Conservative one wishes to register a protest against the reckless tone of

"Loyalist's" letter which merely plays into the hands of ones political opponents. One hopes to take a more or less long view of one's own self-interest and not to be so blatantly up against the trade unions as to lose the support of every trade unionist in Britain. One must not forget that these same trade union fellows constitute quite a big proportion of the nation and that it is they who have largely contributed to our past well-being.

As an intelligent Conservative one must be prepared to give way a little, to advance with the times and to even realise that, what were to many of us the good old days have gone never to return. We may have been happier then, but the corporate consciousness of the nation is now more lively. We are throwing off many of our old illusions and the relics of feudalism will gradually disappear. One expects as a Conservative to die hard, but say not too hard Mr. "Loyalist," else we die too quick and involve everything in our passing.

In conclusion, one does not really care to note "Loyalist's" reference to the throne. Nowadays one does not mention such things in political tirades. We keep the throne out of the political arena in order to preserve it the longer for the valuable work of which it is capable and for its symbolism of the unity of the Empire. One is rather surprised to observe "Loyalist's" neglect to follow the established usages in this matter, and one would caution him to hesitate lest by calling a greater attention to the throne, people should not only realise its advantages, but also certain absurdities, and so imperil for us, a useful institution.

Yours, etc.,
PATRIOT.WITHDRAWAL OF RUSSIAN
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The notes were kept in the safe which when examined did not seem to have been tampered with. The shopkeeper believes that the robbery must have been carried out by some of his employees. Since only the two cashiers were in

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DAINTY SUMMER DRESSES.



On the left is pictured a frock of green checked gingham; in the centre, a frock of white linen trimmed with cut embroidery with a green silk skirt and sash; and on the right, a bright chintz frock with white organdie sleeves and ruffles.

MODES OF THE MOMENT.

It would be difficult to say that the new clothes offered by Paris were either less trimmed or more trimmed than clothes of a season ago. Two things that have struck the most careful observers are these: the return to favour of the richly pailletted frocks—and this was something of a surprise—and the obvious desire on the part of the dressmakers to use ingenious and clever substitutes for laborious hand embroidery. One dressmaker pastes little triangles of coloured organdie on frocks in designs, the connecting points of the triangles picked out with beads. A little of this trimming goes a long way. At first you like it as you like novelties generally, then you wonder whether the triangles will stay pasted securely.

STITCHING AND BRAIDING. Among inexpensive trimming devices that must not be omitted is that achieved by stitching. Sometimes an effect of hair stripes is achieved by vertical lines of stitching. Black flannel stitched with white or light grey has had a strong appeal in Paris.

Some of the braided effects, which are usually in matching colour or in neutral tones, such as grey or straw colour on navy blue or black, really consist of heavy stitching. Sometimes the smartest effect is gained by the simplest of devices and inexpensive materials. Undoubtedly cut embroidery is the most interesting development in cotton or linen embroidery. It made its present bow to most women in neck accessories. White or grey or tan linen with fine cut work embroidery was selected by many well-dressed women for waistcoat, collar or jabot to be worn with the spring suit in preference to the more ostentatious sort of rare lace or bright-hued silk.

CHINTZ FOR HATS.

There are some women who will on general principles steer clear of the temptation to possess a chintz frock. Nevertheless this material, in designs especially devised for frocks, has a strong appeal to the younger woman as a possible dress fabric. A good type of hat to be worn with the chintz frock shows a transparent organdie brim with the round crown covered with chintz. Painted frocks appeal to many imaginations, and they have been noticed among the new things in Paris. The type of design used is much the same that would be selected for a large embroidery design. Needless to say, the work is put on in some sort of oil paints, often giving the appearance at a distance of skillful Japanese embroidery.

There are painted parasols, too, with flower designs spread lavishly over the top, and black velvet ribbon to be used as the bands for simple, wide-crowned straw hats which are sometimes painted in gay floral designs.

WOOL EMBROIDERY AGAIN.

Wool embroidery is still with us. But it shows some modification. Sometimes it takes the form of carpet embroidery and again the wool is employed in cross stitches which are simple to apply and recommend themselves especially to the home dressmaker. Quite a fad has sprung up for garden smocks and informal morning frocks of linen or ratine with woollen cross stitch designs. Gingham, linen chintz, dotted or otherwise embroidered swisses are the cotton fabrics chosen for the frock that requires crispness or firmness of texture. Organdie, though occasionally used for an afternoon frock is more often combined with one of the other fabrics as trimming. For the frocks requiring a more

clinging, draping fabric, various voiles and fine French cotton crepes are selected. Silk crepes might be grouped with cotton fabrics when these are thought of in terms of washable materials. The practical woman has an eye to the attachment of girdles and sashes. They must be so arranged that they may be removed and replaced without marring the good looks of the frock.

THE NEW SASH.

A very attractive way of arranging the sash on some of the new organdie frocks is to make the sash of matching or contrasting organdie wide and long enough to tie in a large bow at the back or side. Stitched along one side of the girdle is a length of picot-edged ribbon, possibly two inches or less in width, usually in some soft-hued contrasting colour.

Figured voile frocks made by one clever dressmaker have sashes made by stitching together lengths of organdie in the three or four colours predominant in the figure—usually pastel shades or others rather mild in colour intensity.

There are good-looking summer frocks of simple design and cut that depend for much of their distinction on girdles of four or five-inch black velvet ribbon showing a wide spray of wool-embroidered flowers or fruit in gay colours, placed so as to extend across the front of the waist, the plain black ribbon going around and tying with long ends at the back. Tassels, though not so ubiquitous as they were two seasons ago, are not out of the picture when used in this way. In fact, tassels, small tassels of the sort that suggest up-holstery trimming, are shown applied in rows to trim two or three new frocks.

An attractive device on a linen frock is to have the sash run

NEW IDEAS.

There is a big black milan straw hat of the poke shape with the under side of the brim almost covered with pink roses. The only trimming on top of the hat is a bow of ribbon. And there are black ribbons to tie under the chin.

A frock of lavender taffeta, made in Second Empire fashion, with wide skirts and slim bodice, is finished at the waistline with a twist of green chiffon ending in big bow ends of the lavender silk at the back. A springtime colour combination, this lilac and green.

Exceedingly smart for the little girl are some frocks of heavy grey linen trimmed with pipings and bandings of orange linen. The combination of the bright, rich orange with the soft, neutral grey is very good.

A coat suit that makes a good combination of plain and figured fabric is this: There is a pleated shirt of a fine checked flannel. There is a box coat of blue twill or heavy serge. The coat is edged all round about with a piping of the checked material of the skirt.

through buttonholed or picot-ed slits.

There seem to be no limits set concerning the variety of laces or embroidery that may be combined in the new lingerie frocks, a frequent combination being filet set against valenciennes surrounded by embroidery on fine linen. Again you see fine Irish lace combined with valenciennes that is quite reminiscent of the taste of ten years ago.

FASHIONS IN WOMEN.

Why are thin, angular ladies the rage at one time, and small, plump, round faced, innocent-eyed damsels at another?

Artists have always inspired women to a change of appearance. The Venus of Milo and the art of Phidias and Praxiteles probably made the dressmakers and hairdressers of ancient Greece do the best they could with impossible customers. No woman of her own accord could have dreamed of looking like a Botticelli. You can trace the smooth banded hair of Mid Victorian days (a fashion resuscitated since) to the adoration of Raphael, just as we owe to Burne-Jones the elongated lady with soulful, lack-lustre eyes; to Millais, the open-eyed damsel; and to Alma Tadema, the pseudo-classical ladies of every suburban dance. All these were to be seen in London society a decade or so ago. Then there were the statuesque women of Du Maurier. Every woman who could looked like one of his drawings.

Sometimes, of course, a famous woman will set a fashion, but in her turn she has generally been inspired by an artist. Of recent years Bakst and the Russian ballet have evolved the attenuated lady with the lure of strange angularity and a love of violent colour. As to fashions in dress, there is nothing new under the sun. I am writing this states Mr. Christopher Gray, beneath the portrait of a lady who is represented as wearing a low dress in the day-time. It is out low enough to show a bare back of the vogue now passing, but it is quite low enough to excite American bishops to a protest. The dress is actually slipping from the shoulders—and in broad sunlight, too. It is not the picture of a shameless baggage, but of my mother seventy years ago—a Madonna in a low morning dress.

Cockatoos have come in for consideration in the by-paths of fashion this year. You will remember that they were in fashion several years ago in wall paper and cretonne. Now they have reappeared in all sorts of guises, sometimes embroidered in their natural colours on a garden hat or smock, and sometimes embroidered on a bag of satin or velvet.

SECRET OF A GOOD COMPLEXION.

This is the secret so few people realise (says a writer speaking of complexion matter in the *Daily Express*.) The first and foremost method absolutely to ensure a good skin is to look after the scalp and hair.

You will find it is undeniably the case when a patient attends a doctor for advice concerning the unfortunate and disfiguring spots on the face commonly called blackheads, but known medically as acne, the doctor will examine the scalp.

It is there the trouble starts; the want of proper circulation and attention. So to ensure a good complexion take the precaution to have the best attention given to your scalp and hair, proper massage, and rhythmic double hair brushing. The result is amazing! To look well and feel you look well is half the battle these days.

THE NEW SHOE.

The strapped shoe with the lowered heel seems to be the meeting place of the extreme French and the extreme American types of shoe—types which have been waging war for a couple of seasons. At any rate, the new shoe is made with a fairly high arch which would not bring discomfort even to a foot used to a much higher heel. The vamp is not so short as that of the French shoe, but on the other hand it is not so long as the conventional American vamp. And the rounded toe is not of that exaggerated roundedness of the real French toe. It is altogether, this shoe, a very pleasing mingling of what many women consider the best in both styles of shoe. Of course it is as yet expensive, but later on it will probably be made in the medium-priced shoes as well as the high-priced ones.

BLACK FOR LINGERIE.

Black chantilly lace is a favourite for lingerie. Some of the newest lingerie is trimmed with brocade ribbons or black velvet ribbon with velvet flowers. Gold and silver ribbons also are used for trimmings. Slips and chemises of black crepe de chine and crepe meteor are designed along simple, severe lines, being trimmed with black satin ribbon or narrow black lace.

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EXAGGERATED JEWELLERY.

Some of the new brooches are four and five inches long and one of these brooches, made of white gold and set with small diamonds is a very conspicuous feature of the costume. Rings are equally exaggerated in size; some of the dinner rings having enormous square settings set en cabochon with diamonds, sapphires or with jade, onyx or turquoise surrounded by pearls or diamonds. In these square, flat settings a number of small diamonds, or other stones are sometimes clustered together, giving the effect of one magnificent stone. White sapphires which come nearest to being diamonds in sparkle and colour of any gems—yet which cost far less than diamonds—are having a special vogue. A well cut white sapphire, richly faceted, is a very handsome stone—if you wear it as a white sapphire and do not hope people will believe it is the more precious jewel.

TWO PRETTY FROCKS.



On the left is seen a frock of flesh crepe de chine with a beautifully painted decoration of apple blossoms, signed by the artist. On the right, is pictured a frock of sheer yellow linen with bright wool embroidery.

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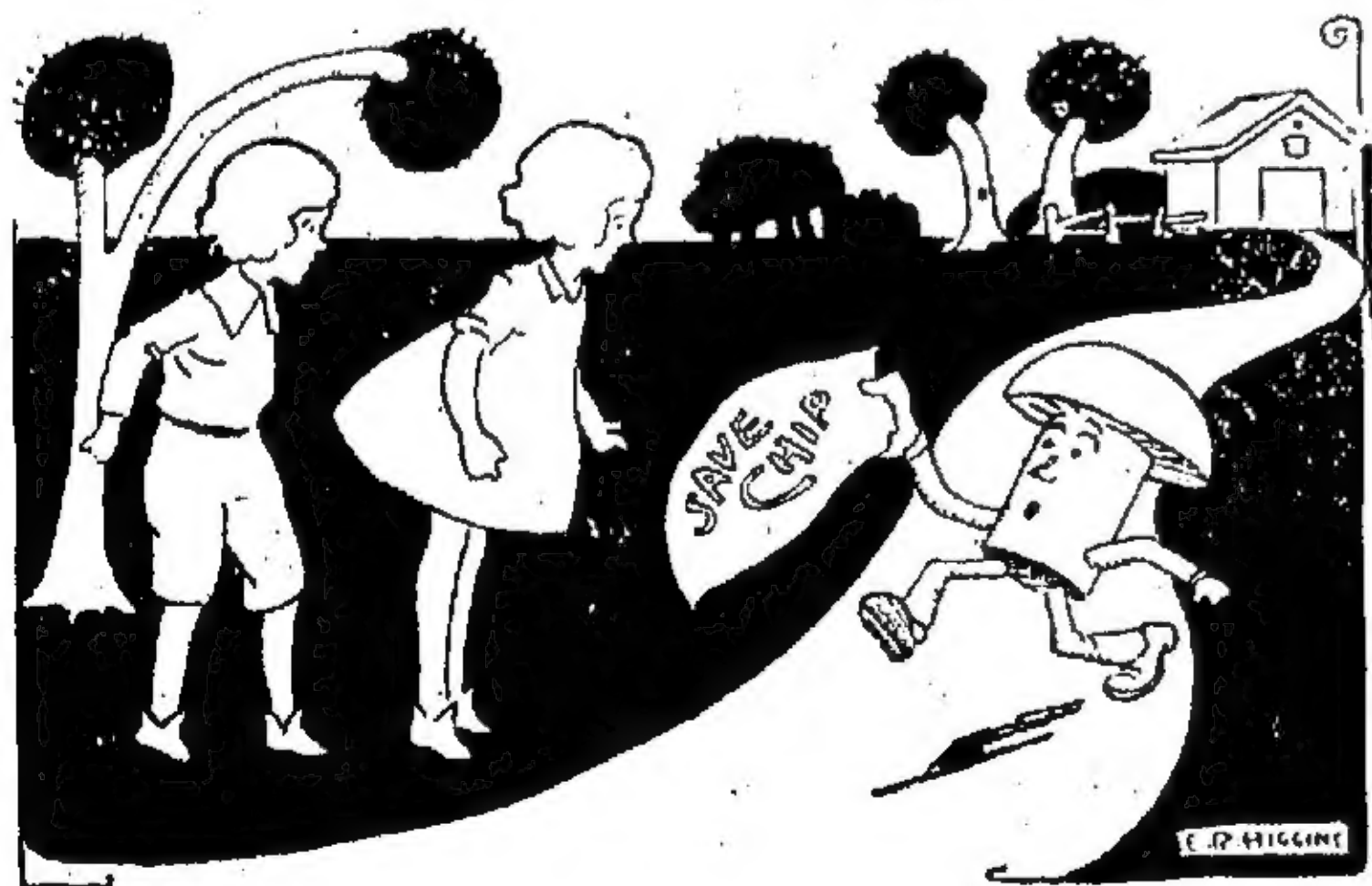
CHIP'S RESCUE.

There's this about it, if Chip Chipmunk hadn't been so over-stuffed with buckwheat, he might have been able to wiggle out of his prison. But there! Nick and Nancy hadn't an idea where Chip was, and they hunted and hunted. Even the buckwheat field had failed to reveal his whereabouts, for men had come with wagons and piled all the bundles of cut wheat on them and hauled them to the barn.

What to do next?

There didn't seem to be a place left to look, and the twins were just about to return sadly to the Meadow Grove School and tell Mr. Scribble Scratch that the little chipmunk boy was nowhere to be found, when the Magical Mushroom came a running. "Here," he panted, handing them a note written on a plantain leaf. "It's from the Fairy Queen, and she says we must save Chip. He's in trouble in Farmer Smith's barn."

Poor Chip, so he was! The rattly thing in the field that had knives for teeth, wasn't to be compared to the enormous monster in



"Here," panted the Magical Mushroom, handing them a note written on a plantain leaf.

the barnyard, which he spied the moment he arrived on the wagon, a monster that had chains and straps for muscles, that ate coal, and breathed black smoke; a monster that shook and growled ferociously, and ate buckwheat by the bundle, too. Chip could see it all out of the crack in his own bundle where he was stuck fast.

Just then a man picked up Chip's bundle. "Oh! Oh! Help, help!" squeaked the little truant shivering with fright.

"Yes, yes! We're coming," called Nick, for the twins arrived at that very minute and heard Chip squeal! The man laughed when Nick reached in his hand and pulled out poor shivering Chip.

"That was a close squeak for the little fellow," he said kindly. "Don't you mean a loud squeak?" smiled Nick, putting Chip in his pocket. "I guess he was scared."

(To be continued to-morrow.)

PORT INTELLIGENCE.

The following shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:—

Vessel	Agents	From	Mooring
Aki Maru	N. Y. K.	Melbourne	Kowloon W.
Chiyang	J. M. & Co.	Swatow	W. P. Wharf.
Venezuela	Pacific Mail	San Francisco	A 3.
Tjitaroen	J. C. J. L.	Cebu	A 23.
Pookang	J. M. & Co.	Calcutta	Kowloon W.
Idomeneus	B. & S.	Milke	A 28.
Bange Maru	O. S. K.	Keelung	B 20.

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Lake Gilpin	Pacific Mail	Singapore	12th April.
Wago Maru	Dredwell	Changwangton	
Nam Sang	J. M. & Co.	Singapore	
Chiyang Maru	Sato & Co.	Hongkong	13th April.
Inamitaka	Nemaze	Saigon	
Asu	Nam Yuen	Hoihow	
Takung	J. M. & Co.	Hoihow	
Yehigo Maru	Y. K. K.	Hongkong	
Georgi	R. V. Fleet	Port Corbet	

Impending Departures.

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing Date
Nagoya	P. & O.	Japan	13th April
Eastern	P. & O.	Australia	14th
Hwah Ping	C. A. M. S. S.	Australia	14th
Takada	P. & O.	Japan	14th
Szechow	B. & S.	Shanghai	14th
Cherbon Maru	Nanyo Y. K.	Java	14th
Alderamin	J. C. J. L.	Hamburg	14th
Hangchow	B. & S.	Hongkong	14th
Choyang	N. Y. K.	Shanghai	15th
Dakar Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Kamokura M.	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Hailong	D. L. Co.	Foschow	15th
Iyo Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Kitano Maru	N. Y. K.	London	15th
Kioto	Bank Line	London	15th
Laoungang	J. M. & Co.	Manila	15th
Toshima Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan	15th
Khyber	P. & O.	London	16th
Zira	P. & O.	Bangkok	16th
Yingchow	B. & S.	Tsingtao	16th
Crookings	Admiral Line	Seattle	16th
Pookang	J. M. & Co.	Calcutta	16th
Atrous	B. & S.	London	16th
Yamagata Maru	N. Y. K.	Japan	16th
Foschow	J. M. & Co.	Bangkok	17th
Devanila	P. & O.	London	17th
Dunera	P. & O.	Bombay	17th
Idomeneus	B. & S.	Liverpool	18th
Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	Rangoon	18th
Tjitaroen	J. C. J. L.	Java	18th
Yamun	B. & S.	Szechow	18th
Delight	F. W. & Co.	American Ports	18th
Bali	J. C. J. L.	San Francisco	19th
Nikko Maru	N. Y. K.	Australia	19th
Apas	B. & S.	India	19th
Pookang	D. & Co.	Shanghai	19th
Kaifong	B. & S.	Hongkong	19th

Impending Arrivals.

Vessel	Agents	From	Due Hongkong
Yingchow	B. & S.	Shanghai	13th April
Atrous	B. & S.	Kobe	14th
Pookang	D. & Co.	Singapore	14th
Iyo M.	N. Y. K.	Singapore	14th
Toshima M.	N. Y. K.	Japan	14th
Kitano M.	N. Y. K.	Japan	14th
Kamokura M.	N. Y. K.	Liverpool	14th
Dakar M.	N. Y. K.	Hamburg	14th
Shantung	B. & S.	Shanghai	15th
Melville Dollar	D. L. Co.	Shanghai	15th
Khyber	P. & O.	Shanghai	15th
Yamagata M.	N. Y. K.	Singapore	16th
Yamun M.	N. Y. K.	Singapore	17th
Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	Kobe	17th
Apas	B. & S.	India	18th
Glenfith	J. M. & Co.	Europe	18th
Shingo Maru	P. K. K.	San Francisco	19th
Idomeneus	B. & S.	London	19th
Devanila	P. & O.	Port Said	20th
Awa M.	N. Y. K.	Liverpool	20th
Hector	B. & S.	Suez	1st May
Bowen Castle	Barber Lane	New York	12th
Shidomaka M.	N. Y. K.	London	12th

Consignees Diary.

Vessel	Agents	Goods Stored	Free Claims Expires in by	Examination Date
Monter Prince	Furness Ltd.	Kowloon	April 16	April 24
Telamohos	B. & S.	Holts' Wharf	April 16	April 30
West Campgaw	Ad. Line	Kennedy T.	April 18	May 11
Arizona	O. S. K.	Kowloon	April 17	April 24

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From	Per	Due
Straits	Iyo Maru	14th April.
Bombay	Toshima Maru	14th
Japan & Shanghai	Kitano Maru	14th
Straits	Dakar Maru	14th
Straits	Kamokura Maru	14th
Shanghai	Shantung	15th
Straits	Meihau	15th
Straits	Yamagata Maru	16th
Straits	Yamun Maru	17th
Japan	Rangoon Maru	17th

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Straits & Bangkok	Haiton	Thurs., 14 April, noon.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., 14 April, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai & N. China	Choyang	Thurs., 14 April, 3 p.m.
Timor, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Islands	Eastern	Thurs., 14 April, Registration 12.15 a.m. Letters 1 p.m.
Shanghai & North China	Szechow	Thurs., 14 April, 11 a.m.
Bangkok, Straits, Bangkok, Mauritius & L. Marques	Zira	Fri., 15 inst., 5 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fouchow	Lindsay Moller	Fri., 15 inst., 3 p.m.
Philippine Islands	Hailong	Fri., 15 inst., 11 a.m.
Shanghai, North China & Japan	Loong Sang	Fri., 15 inst., 2 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhaukskodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Iyo Maru	Fri., 15 inst., 9 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhaukskodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Kitano Maru	Fri., 15 inst., Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhaukskodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles	Khyber	Satur., 16 inst., Registration 8.15 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

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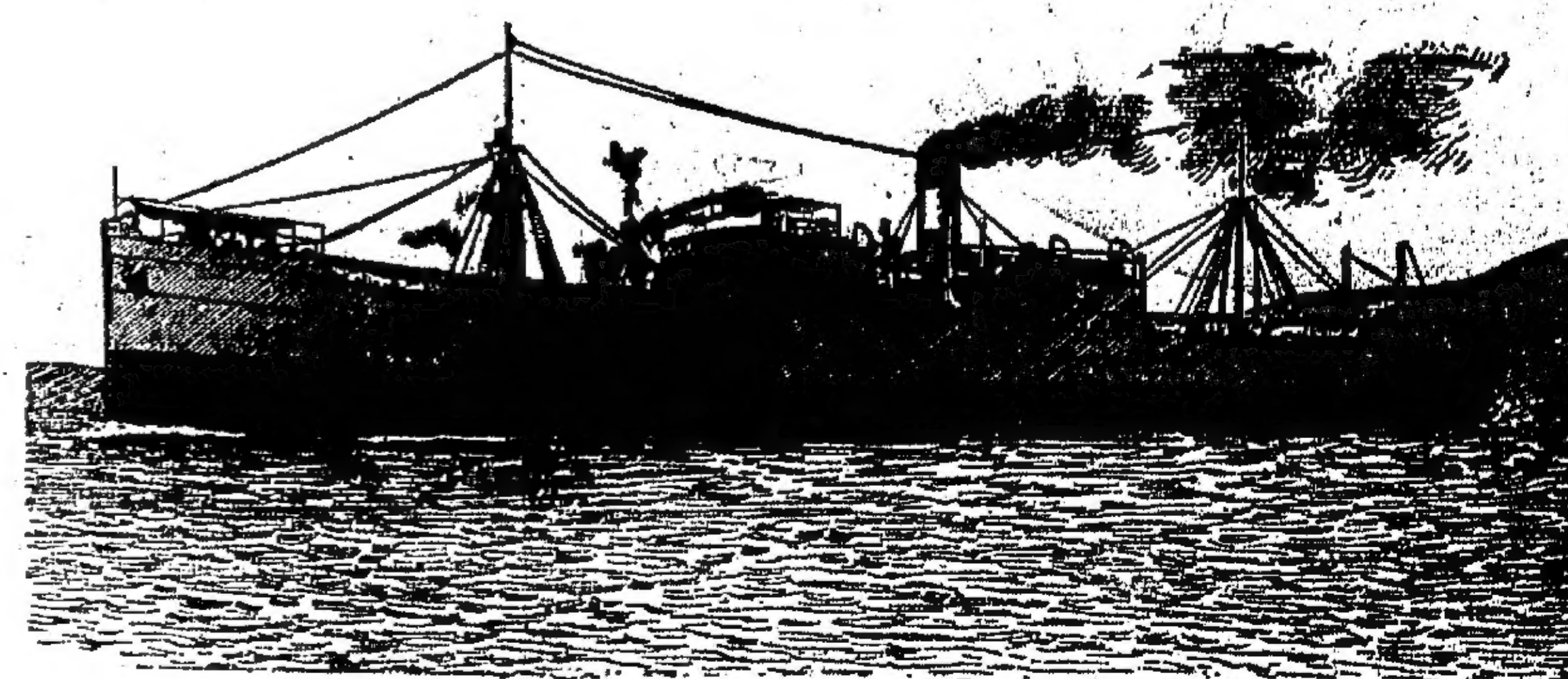
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U.S. TRADE WITH HAWAII.

Cargo moving from Puget Sound to Hawaii in 1920 was more than double that of 1919. Shipments of Puget Sound products carried to Hawaii are composed largely of lumber, hay, grain, flour, box hoods, steel and canned milk.

CHINESE COTTON EXCHANGE AT SHANGHAI.

By sanction of the Ministry of Agriculture and Commerce, the Chinese Cotton Exchange, started by Mr. C. C. Nieh, Chairman of the General Chamber of Commerce, with a capital of three million dollars, has been opened to business, and is working hand in hand with the Chinese Stock Exchange in Tientsin, before long, branches will be opened at Hankow and Canton.

JAPANESE WOOL IMPORTS.

Owing to the cautious attitude of bankers, woolen textile companies in Japan are finding it difficult to lay in a stock of raw materials. The Nippon and Tokyo Woolen Textile Companies, and the Osaka Mouseline Company, however, all of which are stably founded, have placed orders in Australia, where more than 1,800,000 bales of old wool are being offered at very low figures, and arrivals in good quantity are expected in the near future. Besides these manufacturers, the Kanematsu firm of Kobe, Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, and other importers have made pretty large purchases.

JAPAN'S OPIUM CROP.

It is again being reported that the cultivation of the poppy between Osaka and Kyoto, and in the villages of Fukui, Kasuga, Miyajima, Mishima, Yasunari and Aburatsubo, in the Mishima district, Osaka prefecture is proceeding profitably in this connection, the Asahi reports that several opium offences were traced by the Ibaraki police to these villages some time ago. Recently more than fifty villagers, including some influential men, were summoned. It is further reported that some 50 kwna of drug valued at Y10,000 or so had been sold to an Osaka Chinese, two Kobe men, and some other accomplices at Moji and Shanghai.

JAPANESE SILK.

Mr. Takuchi, the President of the Kansai Silk Yarn Association, the inauguration of which recently took place in Kyoto, is now busily trying to borrow money from bankers. Mr. Takuchi proceeded to Nagoya and opened negotiations with three banks there. In accordance with the resolution passed at the recent joint meeting in Kyoto, the Association abrogated the suspension of output while the merchants in Yokohama have refused to take delivery of the weavers' manufacture. According to the Asahi, the Government has come to a decision that the methods by which the Imperial Silk Yarn Company is to be saved should be changed, and a further subsidy of Y30,000,000 be lent to the company's losses through future purchases. The report remains to be confirmed.

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S.S.	Tons	From Hong-kong (about)	Destination
KHYBER	9,000	15th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp.
DUNERA	5,400	17th Apr.	S'pore, Colombo & B'bay.
DEVENHA	8,000	27th Apr.	London & Antwerp.
SOUDAN	7,000	29th Apr.	M'les, London & Antwerp.

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

JAPAN	6,052	18th May	Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
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EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

EASTERN	4,000	14 Apr. 2.30 p.m.	Melbourne via Sandakan.
KANOWNA	7,000	6th May	Thursley Island, Townsville, Brisbane and Sydney.

* Omits Sandakan Calls Timor.
SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

NAGOYA	7,000	13 Apr. 7 a.m.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
KANOWNA	7,000	20th Apr.	Japan direct.
TAKADA	6,949	14th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan.

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SUWA MARU ... Friday, 6th May, at 11 a.m.
YUSHIMI MARU (Omitting Manila) Tues., 31st May at 11 a.m.
LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez, Port Said & Marseilles.

KITANO MARU ... Friday, 15th April, at 11 a.m.
INABA MARU ... Friday, 29th April, at 11 a.m.
KAMO MARU ... Friday, 13th May, at 11 a.m.
HAMBURG, LONDON, HULL & ROTTERDAM.
MAISUYE MARU ... Friday, 29th April.

LIVERPOOL & MARSEILLES via Suez.
MELBOURNE & SYDNEY via Manila, Zamboanga, Thursday Island, Townsville & Brisbane.

NIKKO MARU ... Tuesday, 19th Apr., at 11 a.m.
AKI MARU ... Tuesday, 17th May, at 11 a.m.
NEW YORK via Suez.
YAMAGATA MARU ... Middle of May.

SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS via Cape.
KAWACHI MARU (Sailing from Singapore) Wed., 11th May.

BOMBAY & COLOMBO via Singapore.
WAKASA MARU ... Friday, 22nd April.

HAKATA MARU ... Tuesday, 3rd May.
CALCUTTA & RANGOON via Singapore & Penang.
RANGOON MARU ... Monday, 18th April.

JAPAN PORTS—Nagasaki, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANHO MARU ... Tuesday, 17th May, at 11 a.m.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.
KAMAKURA MARU ... Friday, 15th April.
DAKAR MARU ... Friday, 15th April.
IYO MARU ... Friday, 15th Apr., at 11 a.m.
TSUSHIMA MARU ... Friday, 15th April.
YAMAGATA MARU ... Sunday, 17th April.

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Steamer	From	Expected on or about	Will leave on or about	For
Tjitaroom	Japan	in port	18th Apr.	Java
Tjisalak	Java	15th Apr.	23rd Apr.	Japan
Tjibodas	Shanghai	18th Apr.	19th Apr.	Java
Tjiwong	Java	29th Apr.	3rd May	Shanghai
Tjisondari	Japan	4th May	8th May	Java

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FOR SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

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CHANGSHA	25th April.	30th April.

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LONDON, AMSTERDAM, ROTTER- DAM & HAMBURG	"KIOTO"	15th April.
	"KASENGA"	5th May.

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"GLENIFFER"	18th April.
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Vessel	Leaves Hongkong.	Discharges.
"CARNARVONSHIRE"	24th Apr.	GENOA, LONDON & E'DAM.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Destination	Steamer	Sailing
SHAI & Tiau via S'tow	Choysang	Fri., 15th Apr. at d'light.
MANILA	Loongang	Fri., 15th Apr. at 3 p.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta	Loongang	Sat., 16th Apr. at 3 p.m.
BANGKOK via Swatow	Fooshing	Sun., 17th Apr. at d'light.
KOBE via Shanghai	Kumsang	Tues., 19th Apr. at d'light.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow	Loksang	Wed., 20th Apr. at 9 a.m.

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S.S. "FOOKSANG" will be despatched on or about Saturday, 16th Apr., at 3 p.m. for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.

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For	Steamers	To Sail
HONGKONG	Hanchow	14th Apr. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	Sochow	14th Apr. at noon.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Yingchow	16th Apr. at noon.
H'HOW, PHOI & H'PHONG	Kalong	19th Apr. at 10 a.m.
AMOY, SHAI & PUKOW	Shantung	19th Apr. at noon.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	Chusan	19th Apr. at 10 a.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Taming	24th Apr. at 4 p.m.

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S.S. "Borneo Maru" sailing on or about 8th May.

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No. 5, Queen's Road Central.

SHIPPING NEWS.

N. Y. K. STEAMERS AT SEATTLE.
Circular states two Nippon Yusen Kaisha steamers are in Seattle loading cargo for the Far East, and two carriers are en route for this port from Yokohama. The Tokushima Maru is completing practically a full cargo at the Great Northern docks, where the Kashima Maru is also loading a full cargo of 7000 tons. The Tajima Maru and Suwa Maru are steaming for the port from the Orient.

SUZUKI RESUMES SEATTLE SERVICE.

Resumption of the service Suzuki & Co. between Seattle and the Orient is announced and this company, which withdrew its ships on this line in the middle of 1920, when the shipping depression was marked, will send the Port Said Maru, formerly in the Atlantic-European trade, to the port. She is bringing 4000 tons of steel from New York, 3,500 bales of cotton from Galveston for the Far East and at Seattle will load 2,000 000 feet of lumber.

SILK SHIPMENTS TO SEATTLE.

Following the arrival of the Arabia Maru with the first large shipment of raw silk in many months from the Orient, the Arizona Maru of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha line has arrived at Seattle with 3000 bales of the raw product and 150 tons of manufactured silk goods. Raw silk is now worth from \$700 to \$800 a bale. The manufactured silk goods range from \$1500 to \$1800 a ton, according to port officials, but during the European war the raw silk alone would have been worth more than \$3,000,000. Ten hours after the ship docked the silk had been placed in express cars and two special trains were on their way eastward on passenger schedule.

MEMORIAL TO CELEBRATED MARINER.

H. B. M. Consul at Ichang suggests, as a suitable memorial to the late Captain and Mrs. Plant: (1) At Ichang at the entrance to the Gorges, a statue of Captain Plant with arm upraised and pointing up river in token of his desire to open up communications with Szechuen, to be erected in some dangerous place where it would serve as a beacon on leading mark for steamers and junks. (2) At some difficult place on the towing path between Ichang and Chungking something in the nature of a drinking fountain, surmounted by a bust of Mrs. Plant; to each of the hands of which cups should be attached whence the continual stream of hard-worked, and weary trackers could always obtain a much needed drink.

SHIPPING BOARD VESSELS TO CARRY RELIEF SUPPLIES.

Shipping Board vessels operating from North Pacific ports are expected to carry capacity cargoes for the time when the shipment of relief supplies to China begins. Shippers are advised that the proposal to have the Navy designate ships to carry the cargo has been abandoned and that the shipping board vessels will transport the immense tonnage that is to go to the stricken nation. Seattle commercial bodies have been unofficially advised that the greatest share of the cargo will move from Puget Sound. Seattle is the closest American port to China and a large share of the tonnage will be in food stuffs raised in the Pacific Northwest. This cargo will be welcomed by the shipping board operators, who are sending their ships to the Orient with fairly light cargoes.

NEW "DOLLAR" VESSEL.

At the Kiangan Dock and Engineering Works last month the launch took place of the s. Alice Dollar, which is destined to be placed on the Ichang-Chungking service by the Robert Dollar Company. The Alice Dollar is similar in most respects to the well-known Loong Mow, built at the same works last year for Mackenzie & Co., for the Ichang-Chungking run. The Alice Dollar is 20 feet long, is armoured with Harveyised steel, and possesses all of the advantages which make the Loong Mow such a notable ship. Like the Loong Mow, the Alice Dollar has been designed to carry freight and four classes of passengers. To ensure absolute safety of life, the vessel has been specially sub-divided by transverse watertight bulkheads, so that she will remain afloat with any two compartments flooded. The hull and machinery are built to American Bureau of Shipping special class for the service, and will have the highest classification for river service.

